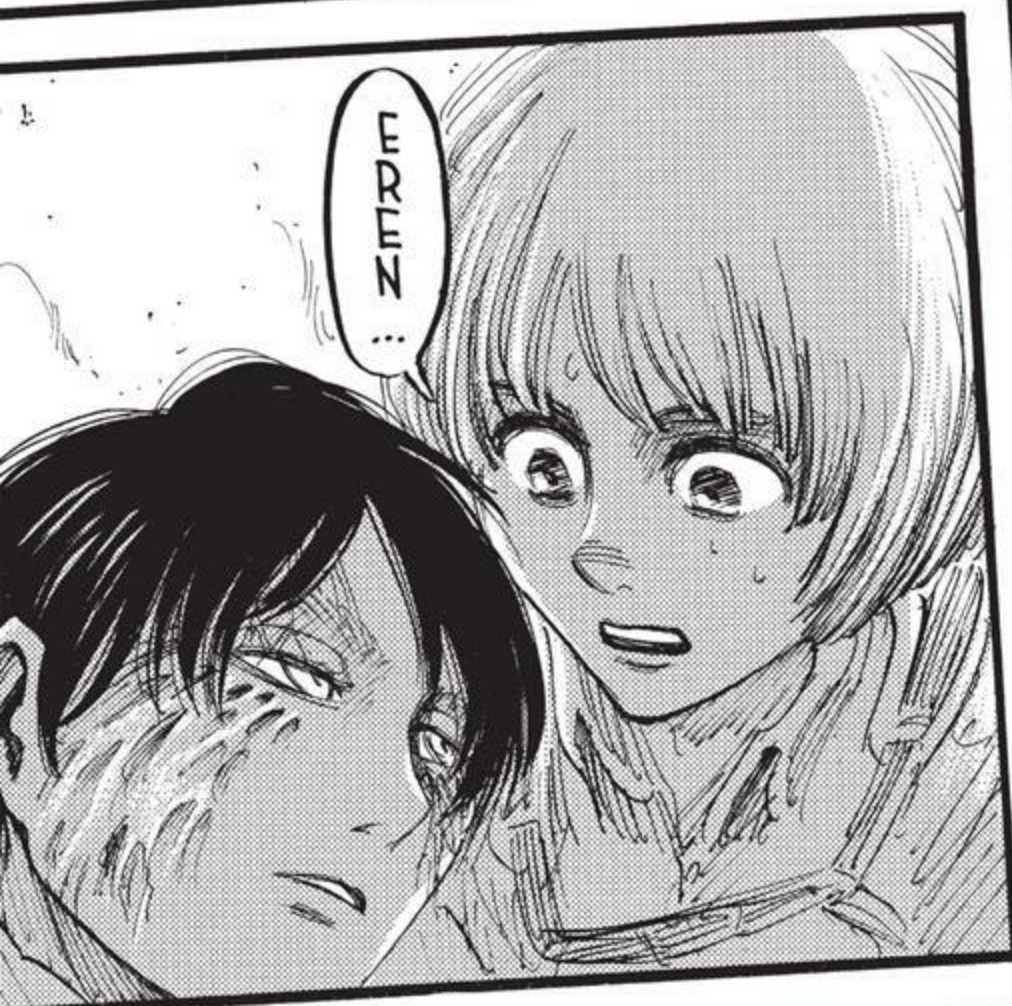




WHAT...
HAP-
PENED
?

ANNIE
...



EREN
...



...ARMIN.



FW

CLANG
CLANG

...
ANYONE
KNOWS
YET...

I
DOUBT
...

Episode 34: Soldiers Dance



DAMN
IT!



CLINK



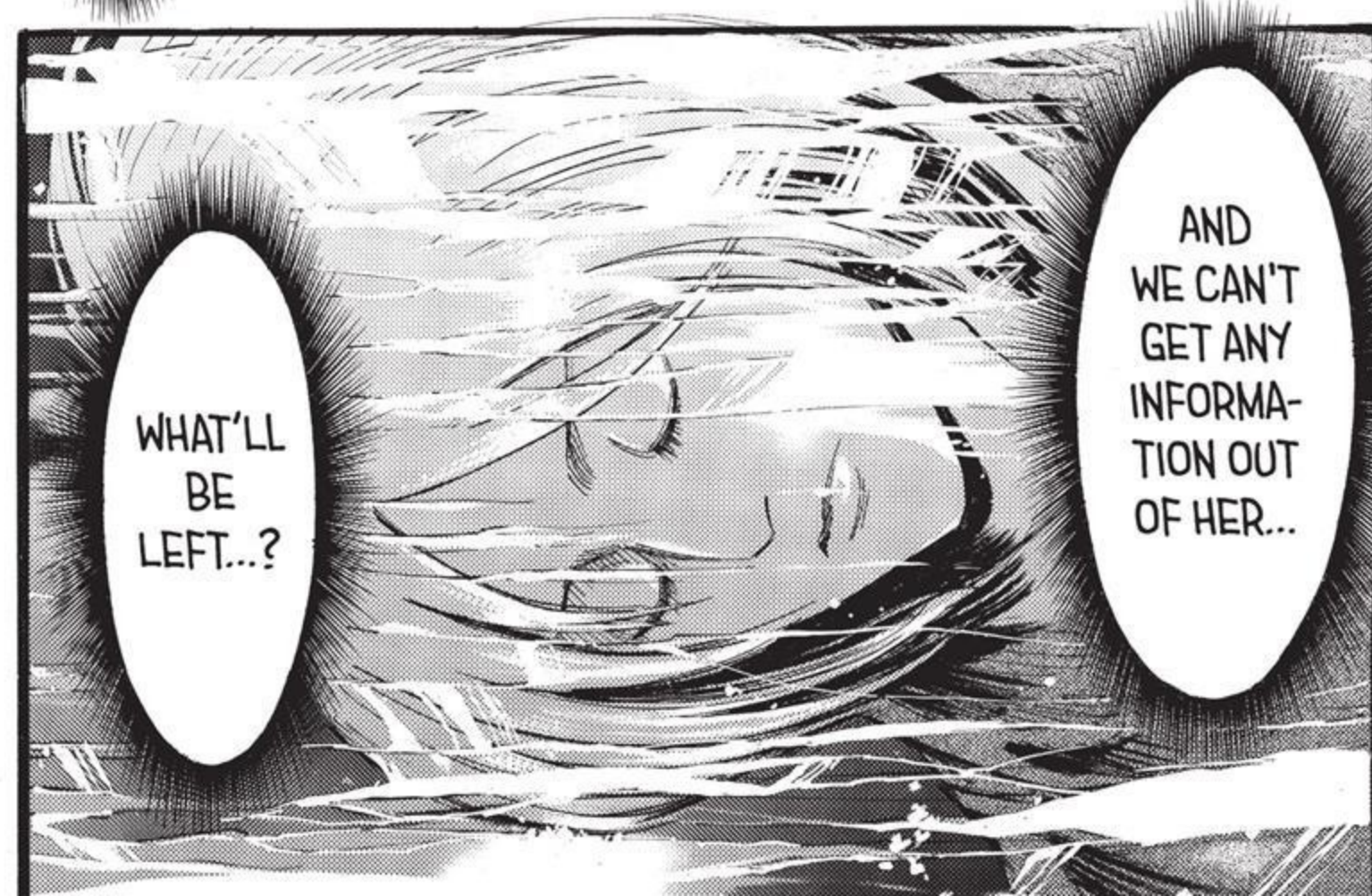
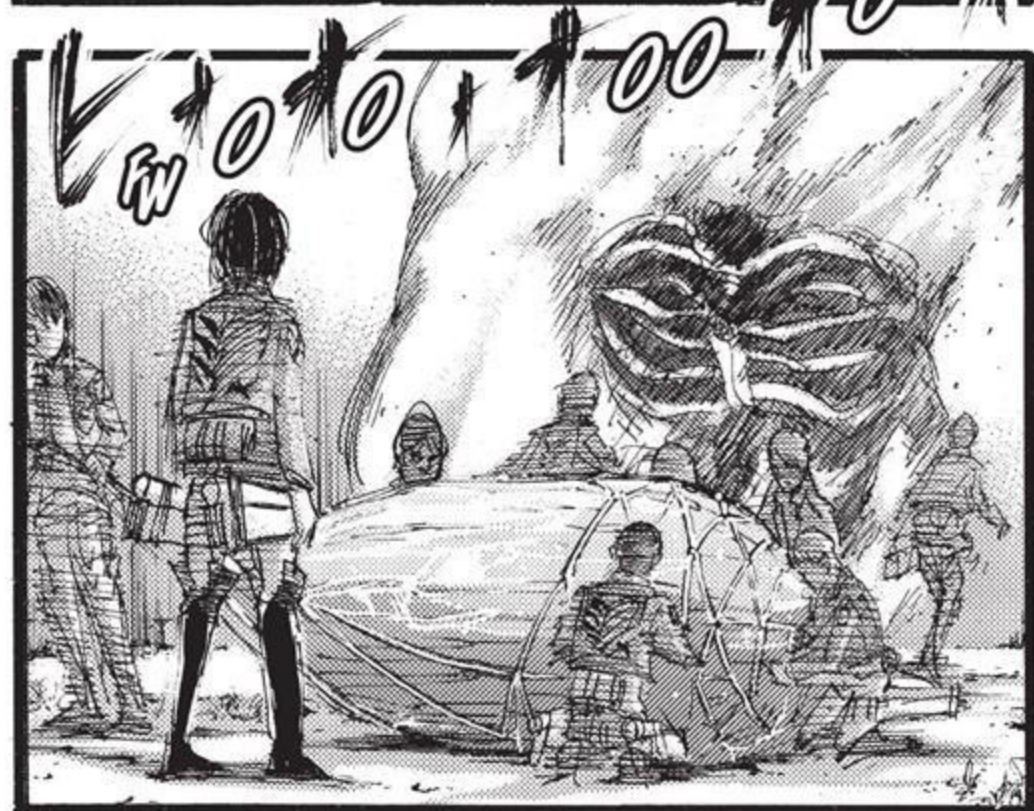
WHAT THE
HELL IS
THIS...?
WHAT'S
GOING ON
...?

C'MON
...



NOT
EVEN
-





SO
WHAT
WILL
WE
DO...?

BUT WE HAVE
NOTHING BUT
MYSTERIES TO
SHOW FOR
THEM...

WE'VE
SACRIFICED
SO MANY
LIVES...



RUMBLE

WHY
IS SHE
STILL
UP...



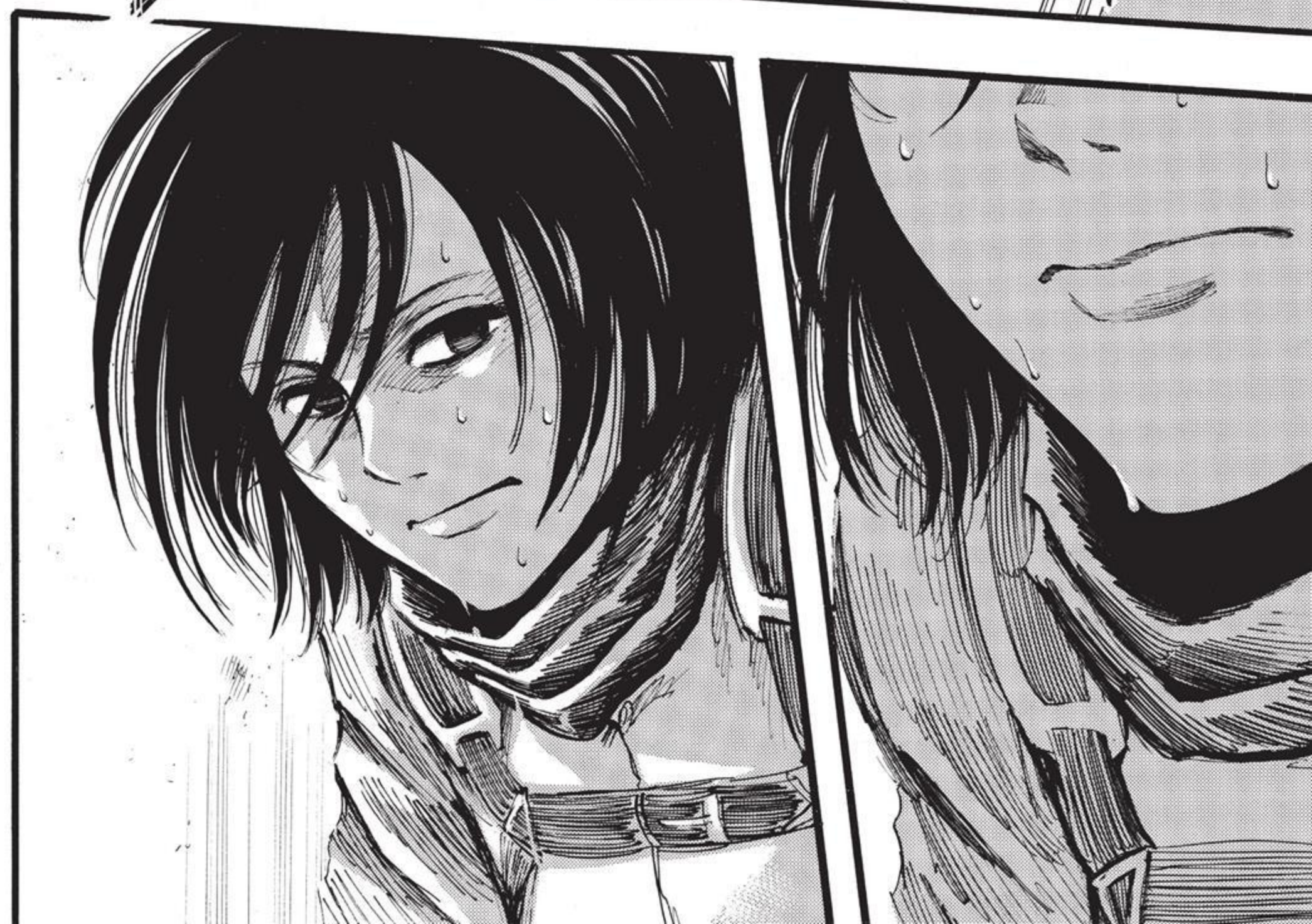
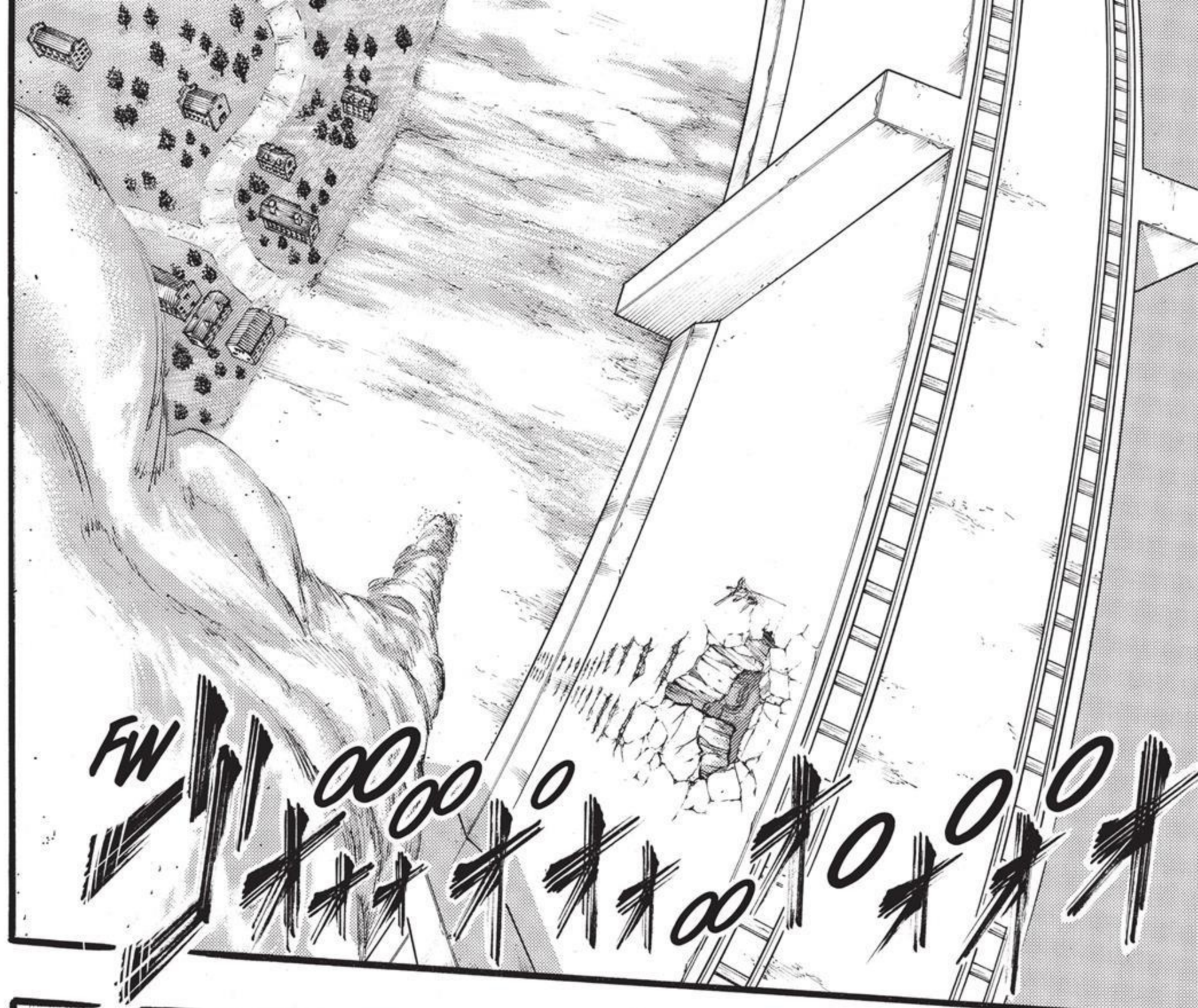
MI-
KA-
SA?

HM
?

ALL THAT
RUBBLE
LOOKS
DANGER-
OUS...

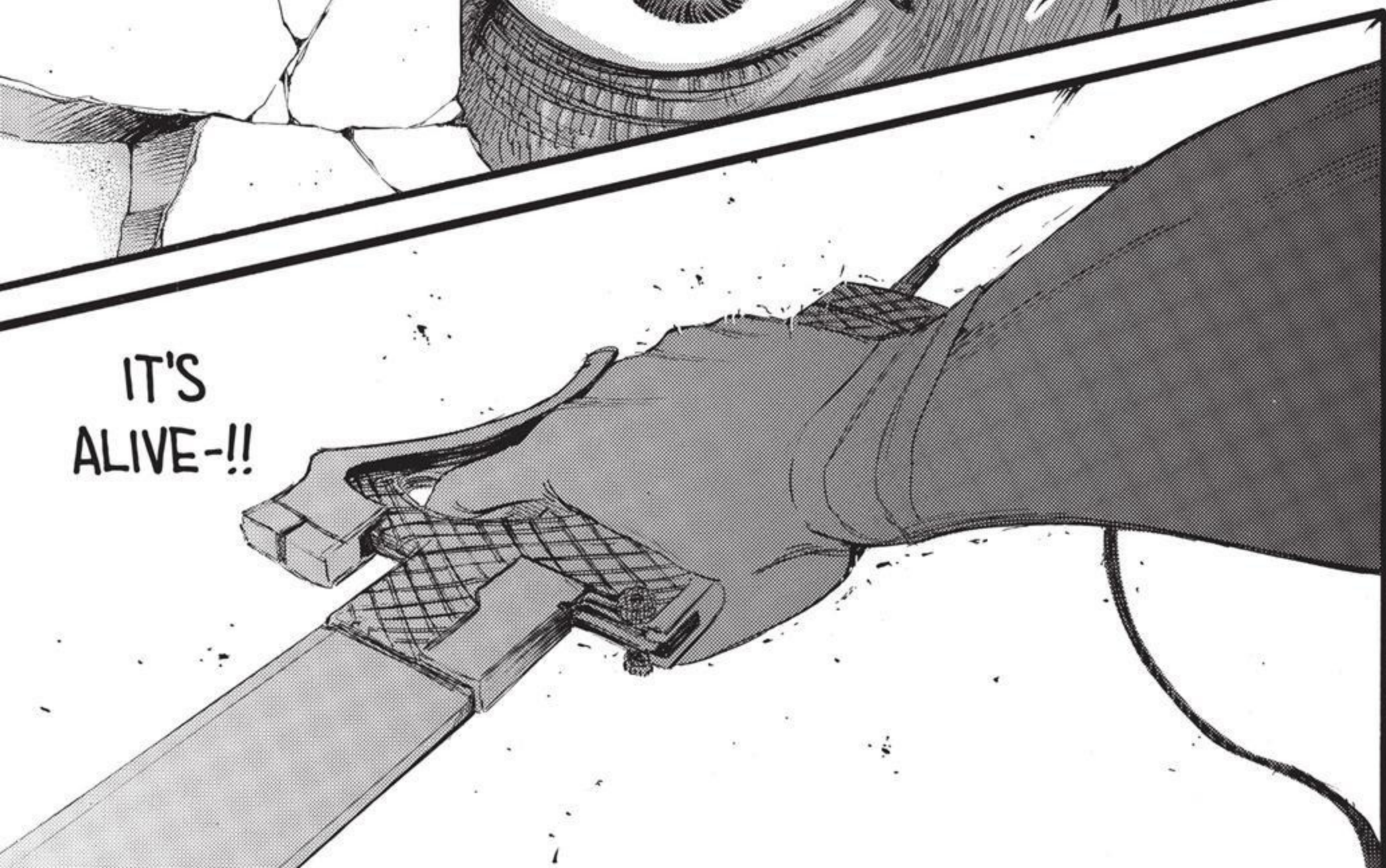
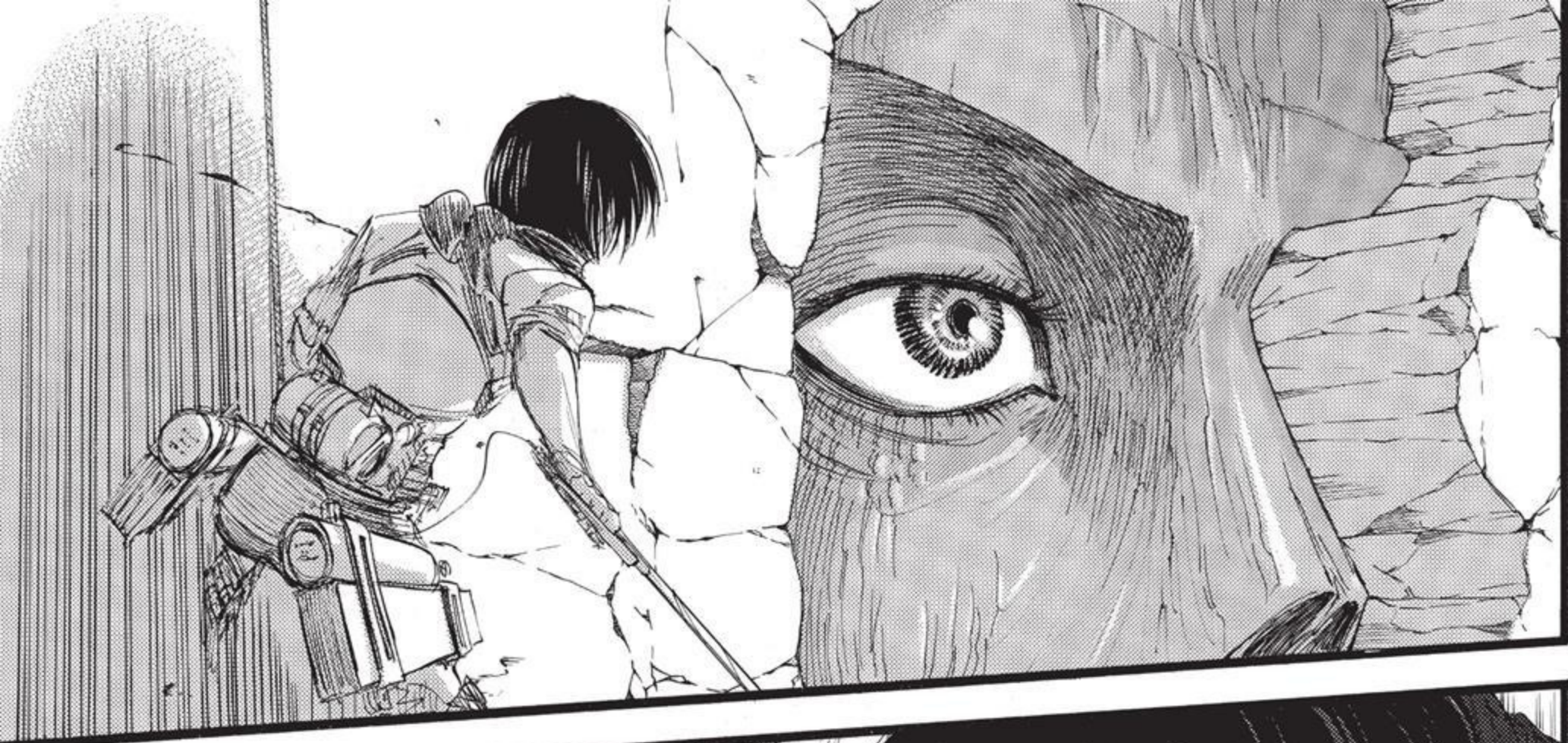


STILL
NO
HORSES
?!
HURRY
!!

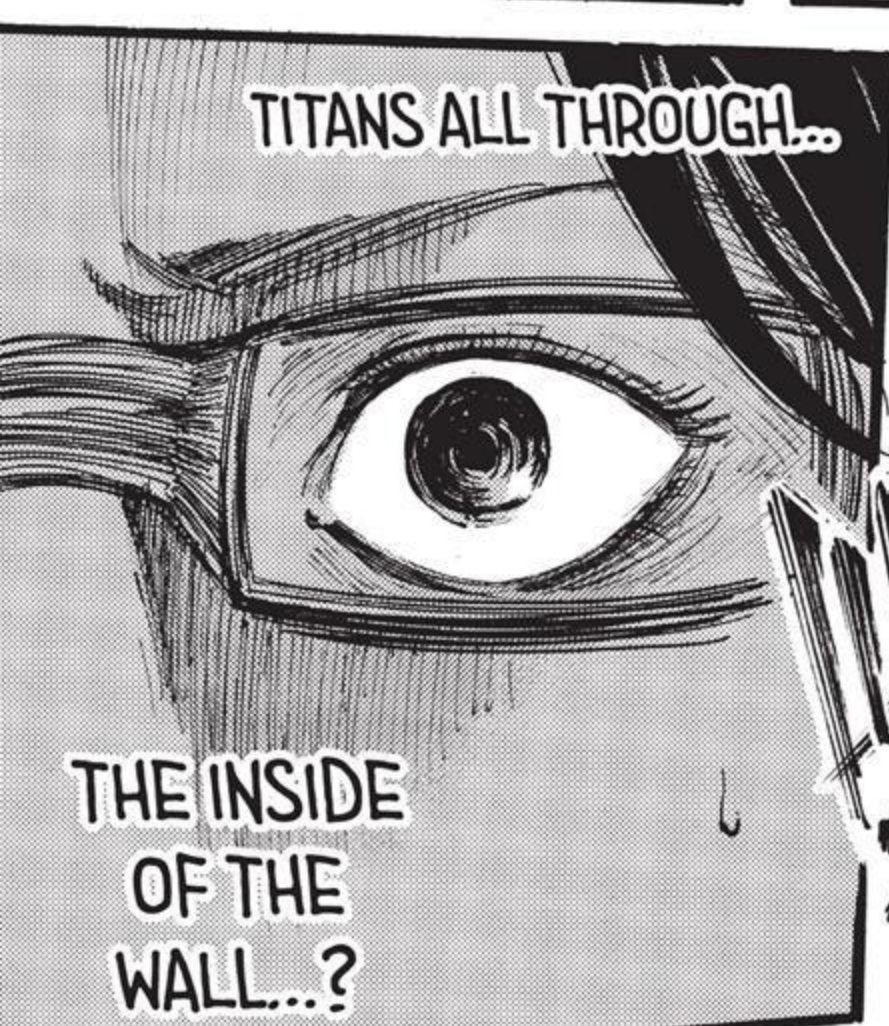


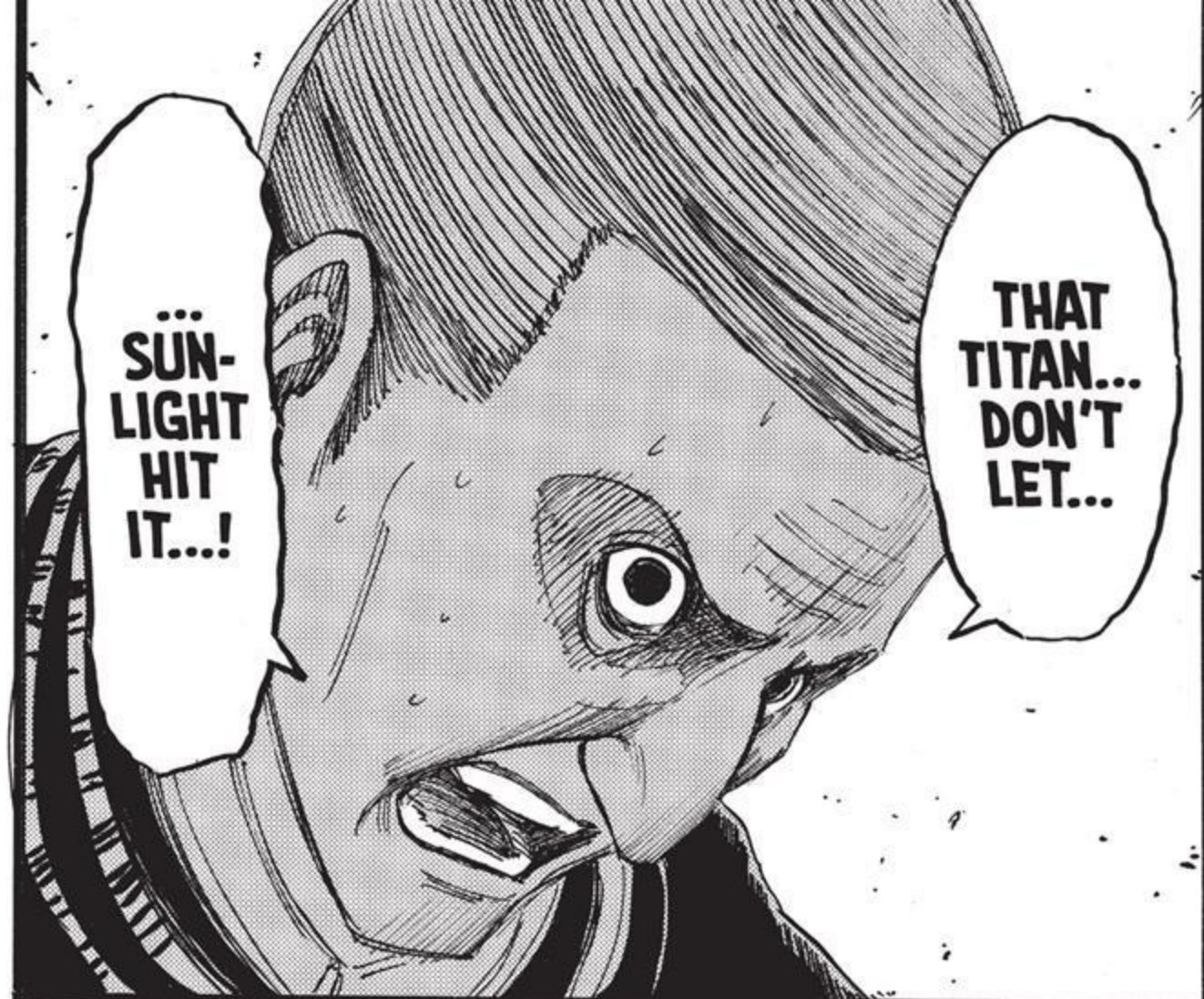












**SUN-
LIGHT
HIT
IT...!**

**THAT
TITAN...
DON'T
LET...**



**...
VER
IT!**

**MIN-
IS-
TER
NICK
?**



**COVER
IT!**

**WHAT
...?**

**IT...
DOESN'T
MATTER
WHAT.
SOME-
THING
THAT WILL
BLOCK
THE
LIGHT...**

**HURRY
!!**



JUST
GET
BACK!

THERE'S
NO TIME
TO
EXPLAIN
RIGHT
NOW!



WHAT
HAP-
PENED
TO
THOSE
TWO
TITANS?

PLEASE
ANSWER
ME!



WHO
WILL
TAKE
RESPON-
SIBILITY
FOR
THIS?!

WHY WERE
THOSE
TITANS
HERE,
AND WHY
WERE
THEY
FIGHT-
ING?!

EVEN
SOME
DEATHS
!

WE HAVE
CIVILIAN
CASUAL-
TIES!

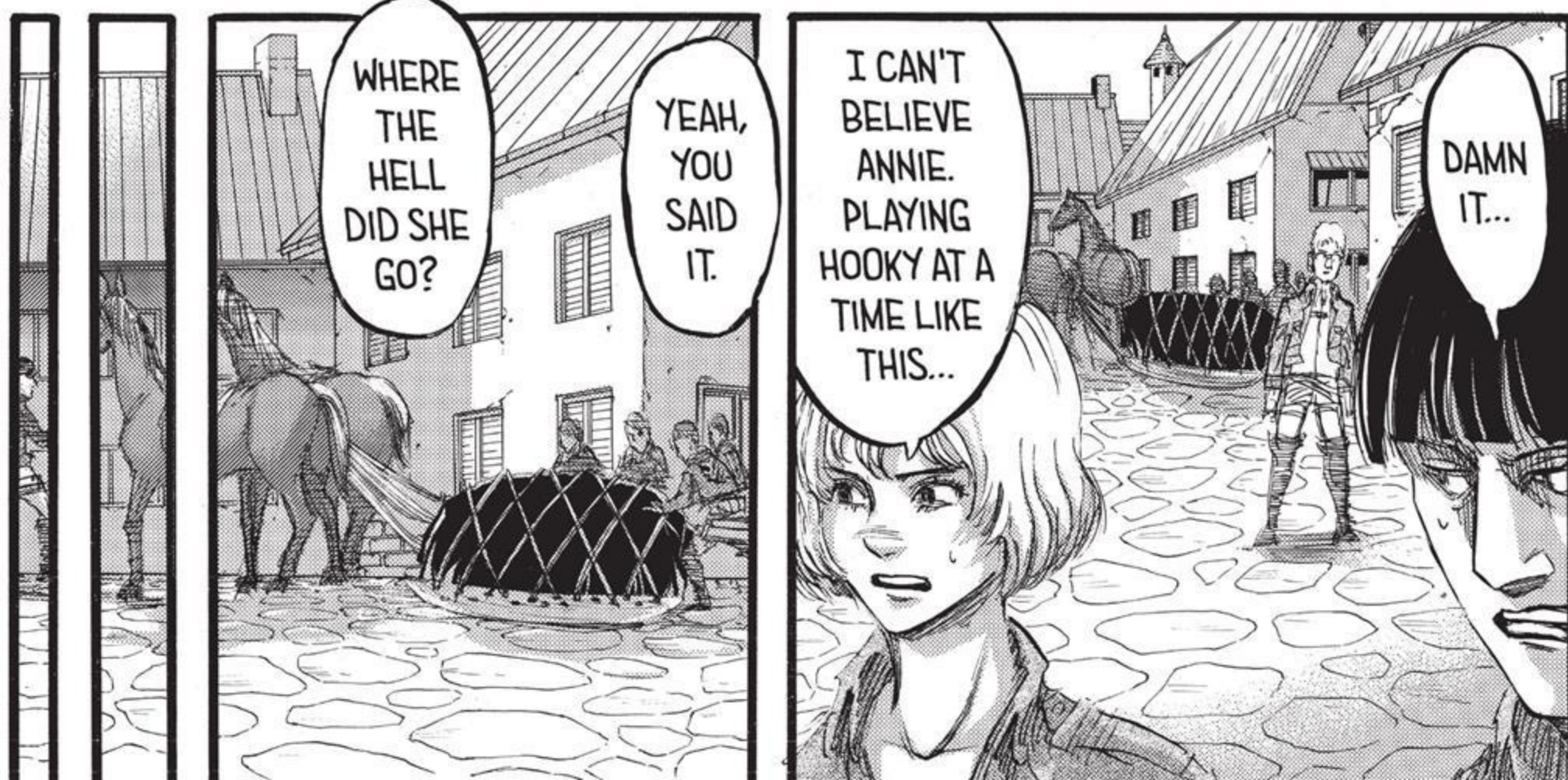


IF HE'S
NOT
DRUNK,
THAT
IS...

GO
GET YOUR
SUPERIOR
OFFICER.

I
CAN'T
TALK TO
YOU.

LIS-
TEN,
RE-
CRUIT.

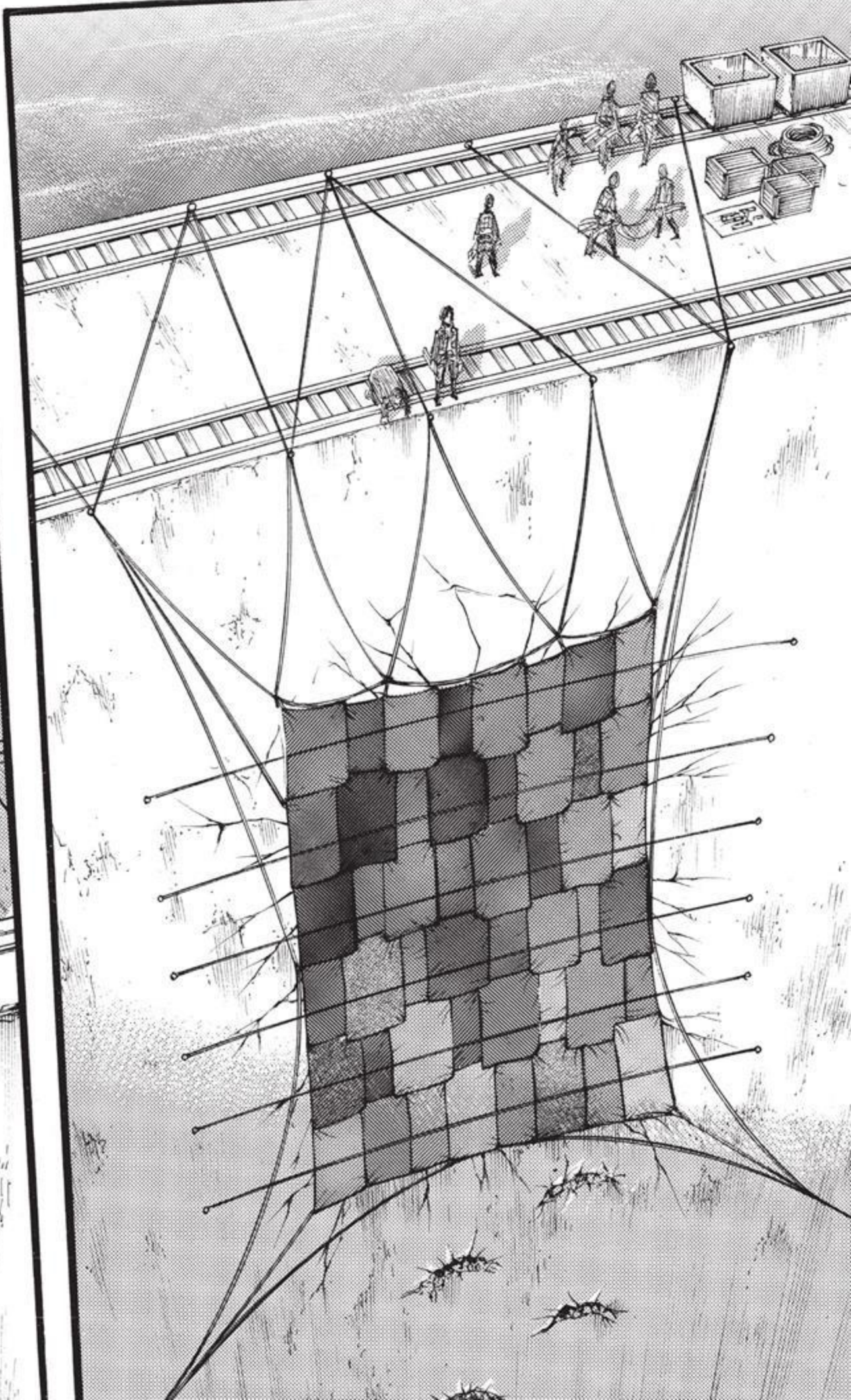
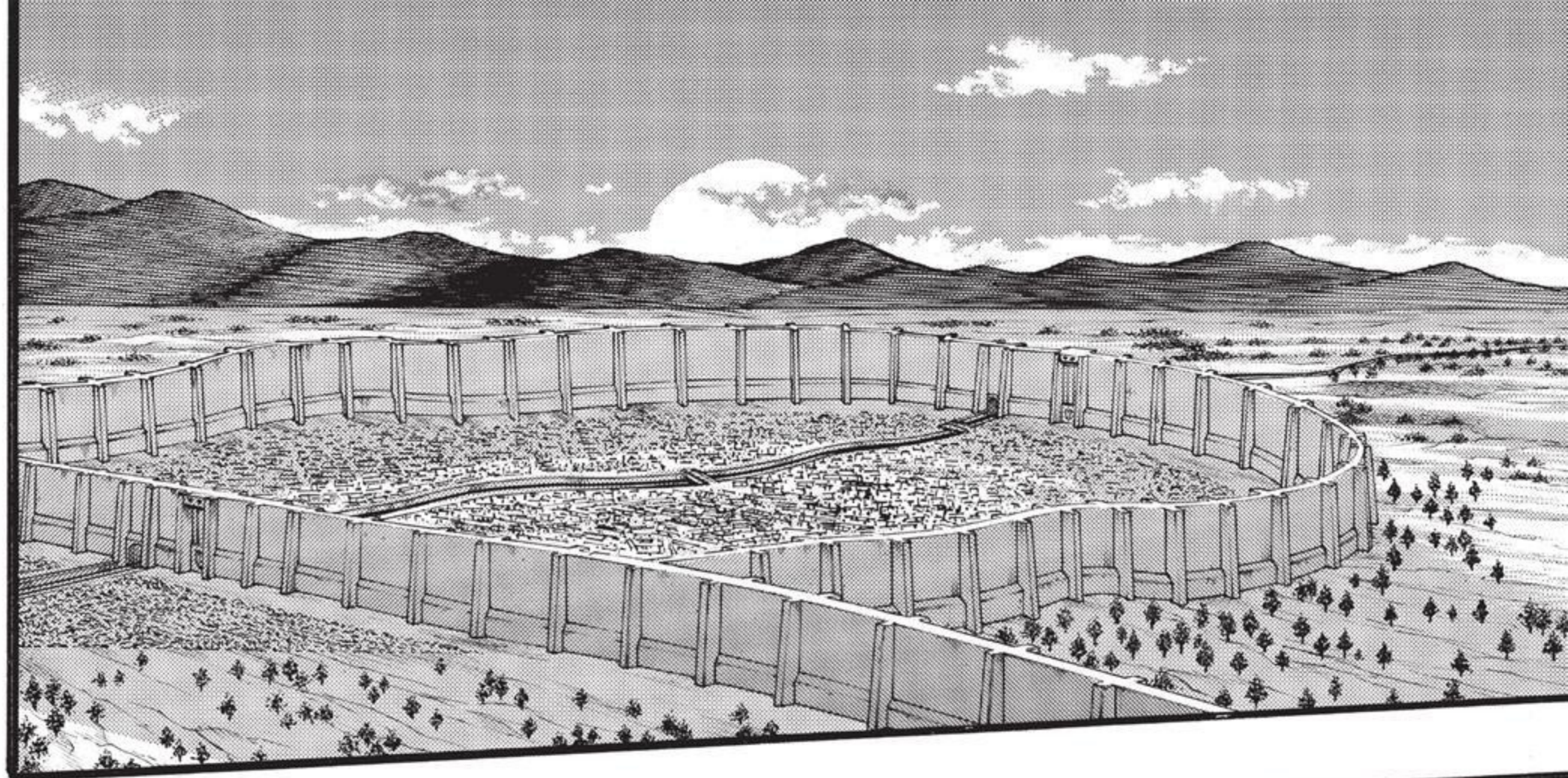


WHERE
THE
HELL
DID SHE
GO?

YEAH,
YOU
SAID
IT.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
ANNIE.
PLAYING
HOOKY AT A
TIME LIKE
THIS...

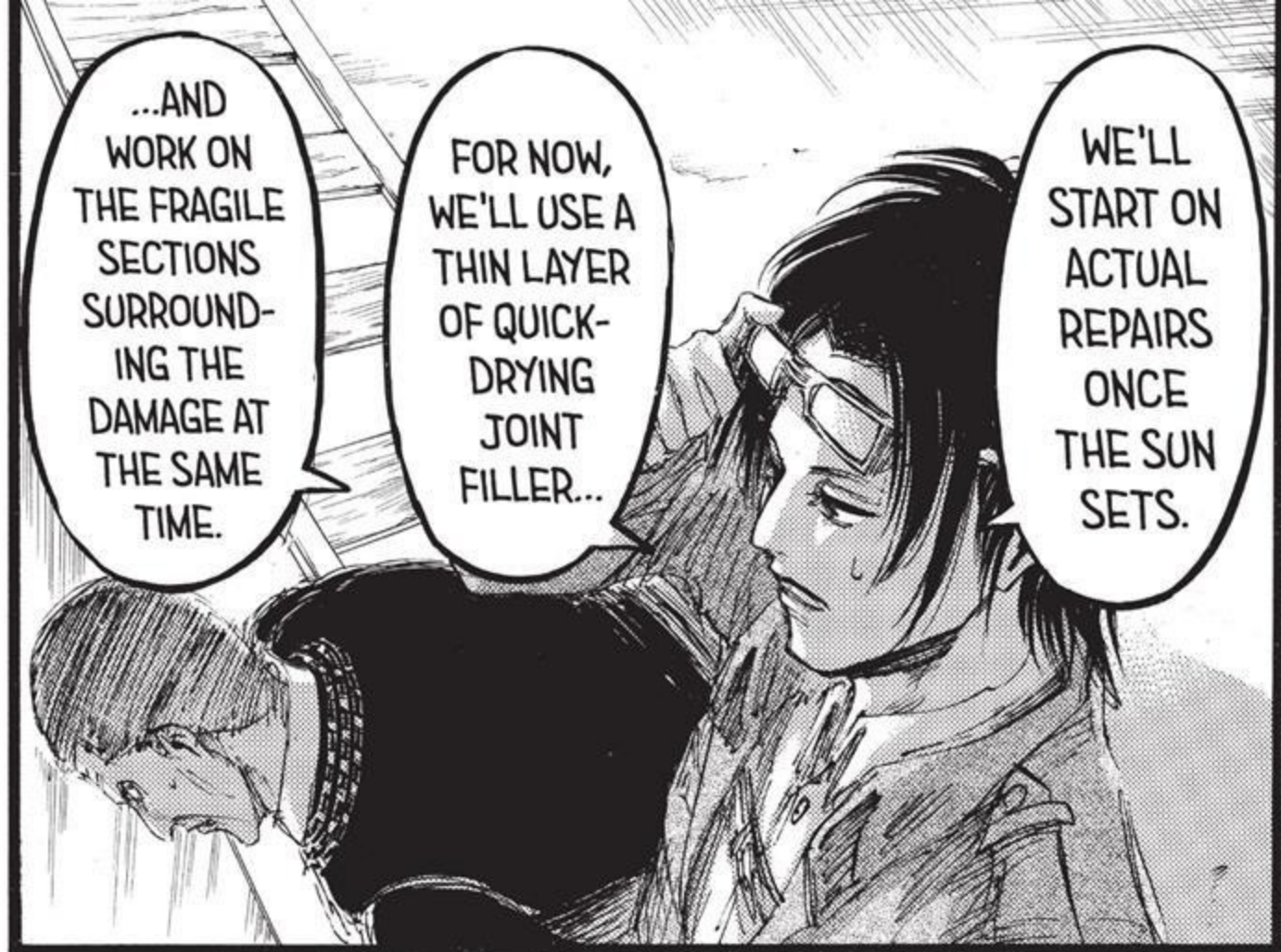
DAMN
IT...





THAT SEEMS FINE.

O K A Y ...



...AND WORK ON THE FRAGILE SECTIONS SURROUNDING THE DAMAGE AT THE SAME TIME.

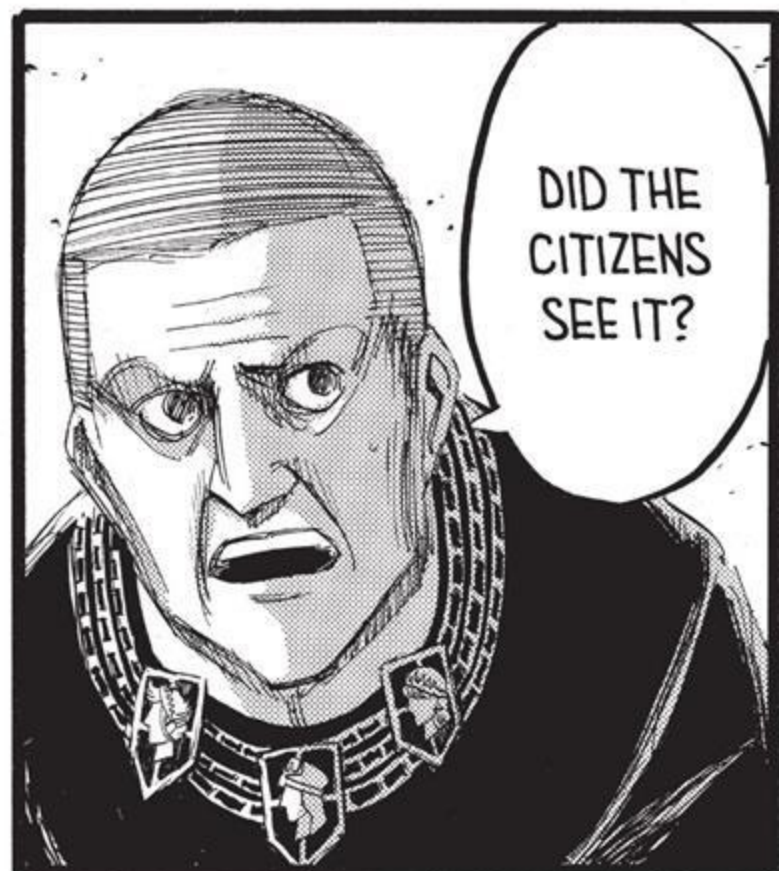
FOR NOW, WE'LL USE A THIN LAYER OF QUICK-DRYING JOINT FILLER...

WE'LL START ON ACTUAL REPAIRS ONCE THE SUN SETS.



BUT I CAN'T GUARANTEE THAT IT STAYED COMPLETELY HIDDEN.

FROM THE TIME THE BATTLE ENDED TO NOW, WE'VE KEPT CIVILIANS AWAY FROM THE AREA...



DID THE CITIZENS SEE IT?



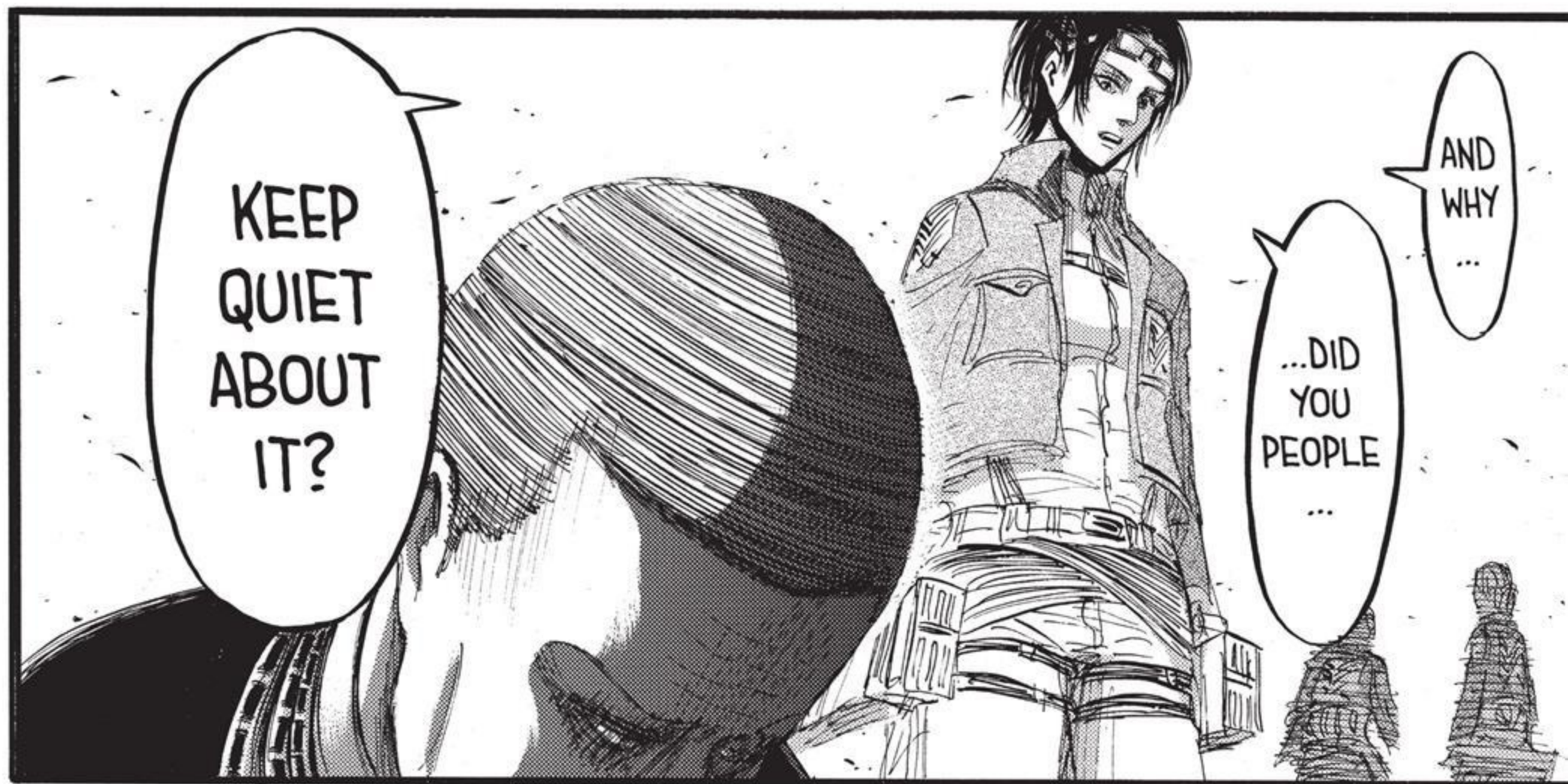
IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO START TALKING.

I THINK ...



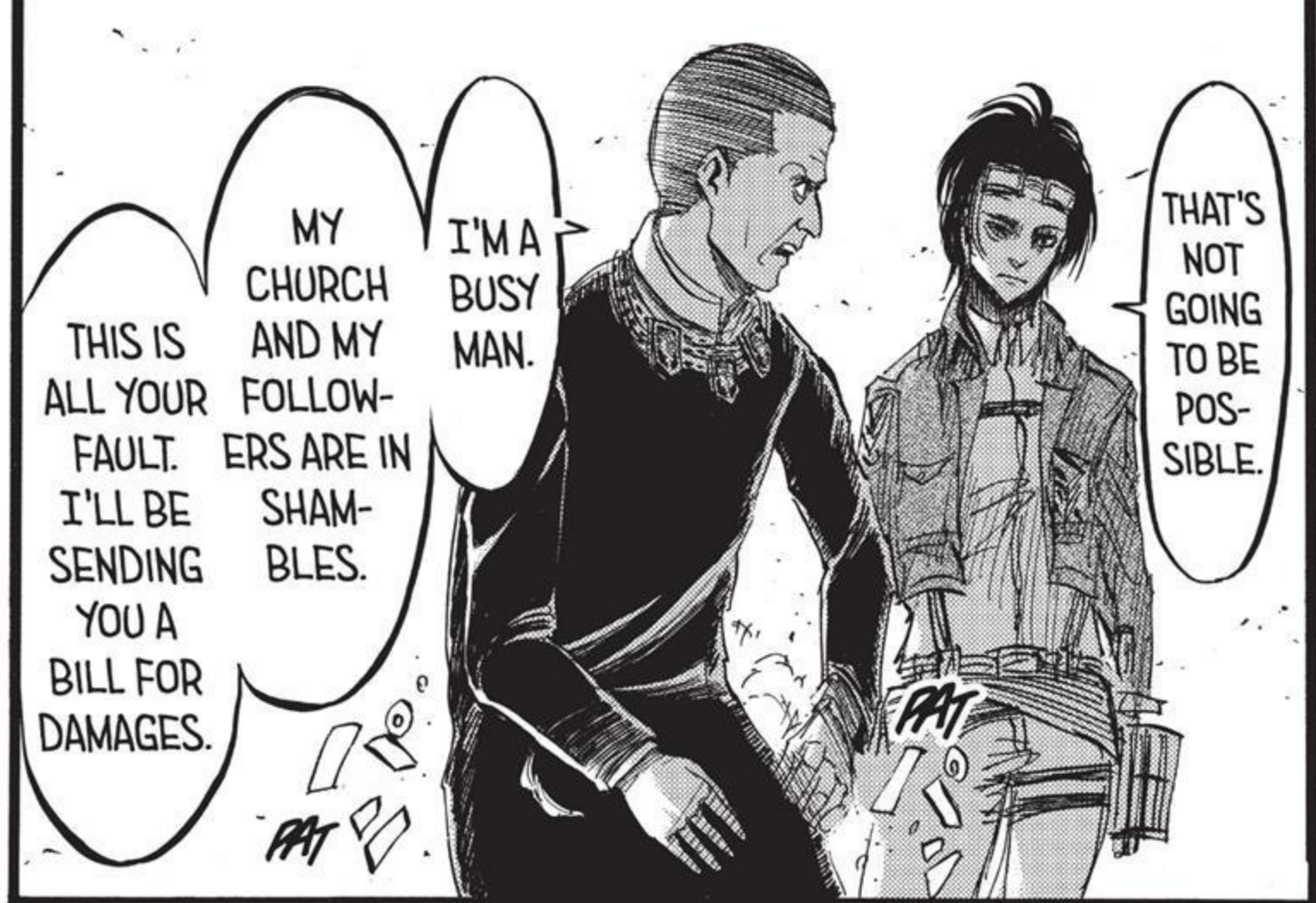
I SEE ...

...





NOW...
GET ME
DOWN
FROM
HERE.



THIS IS
ALL YOUR
FAULT.
I'LL BE
SENDING
YOU A
BILL FOR
DAMAGES.

MY
CHURCH
AND MY
FOLLOW-
ERS ARE IN
SHAM-
BLES.

I'M A
BUSY
MAN.

THAT'S
NOT
GOING
TO BE
POS-
SIBLE.



IS
HERE
ALL
RIGHT?

!!

THUD



ALL
RIGHT.

THUD



STAY
BACK.

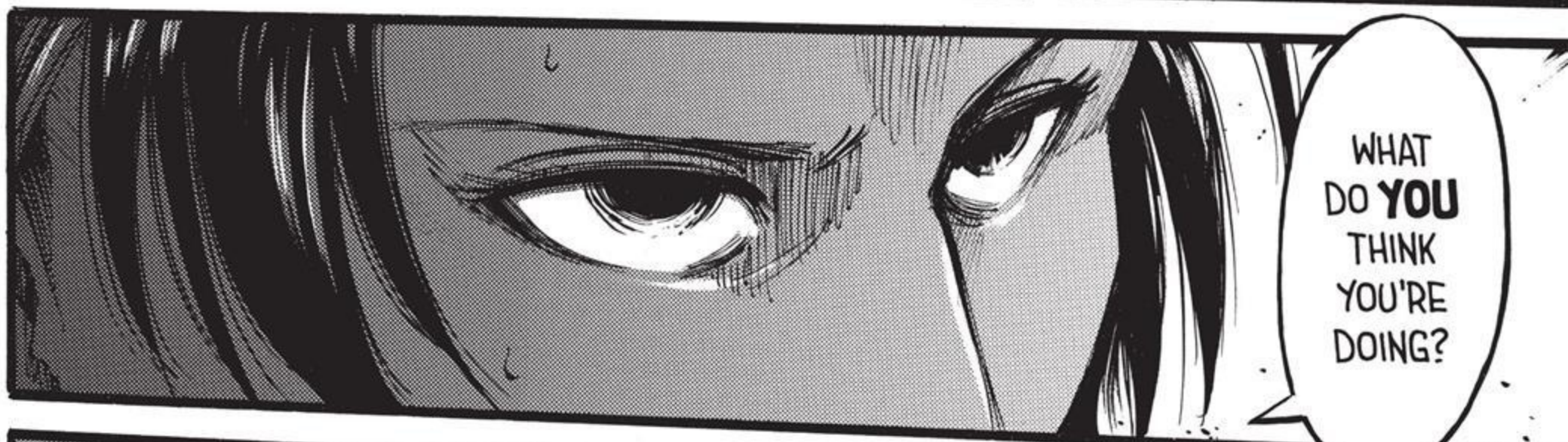
SQUAD
LEADER
!!

GAH
!!



WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
DOING
?!

THIS IS
RIDICU-
LOUS...



WHAT
DO **YOU**
THINK
YOU'RE
DOING?



IS THIS WHY YOUR
LITTLE RELIGIOUS
GROUP WAS SO
FERVENTLY OPPOSED
TO STRENGTHENING
THE WALL AND
BUILDING UNDER-
GROUND
PASSAGES?



A
SERIOUS
OFFENSE,
AFFECTING
THE
LIVES...

THIS
IS A
GRAVE
CRIME.

...OF
ALL
HUMAN-
ITY.

WOOOOSH



IN OTHER
WORDS...
THERE'S NO WAY
THAT YOU'RE
THE ONLY ONES
WHO KNOW
ABOUT THIS
SECRET...

THERE'S
NO
TELLING
HOW MANY
DO,
THOUGH.

WASN'T IT
THE MONARCHY
THAT GAVE YOU
PEOPLE THE
RIGHT TO BUTT
INTO ANY
DECISIONS
INVOLVING THE
WALLS...?



FOR THAT
CAUSE... OUR
LIVES WERE
A SMALL
PRICE TO
PAY.



TO TAKE
BACK THE
FREEDOM
THE TITANS
STOLE
FROM
US.



...WHAT
EXACTLY WE IN
THE SURVEY
CORPS HAVE
SPILLED OUR
BLOOD FOR?



DO
YOU
KNOW
...



...HUMANITY
WOULD BE
FREE FROM
THIS
TERROR...

WE
CONTINUED
TO GIVE OUR
LIVES IF IT
MEANT THAT
ONE DAY...

EVEN IF
ALL WE
ACCOMPLISHED
WERE SMALL
STEPS
FORWARD...



...WERE
BEING
TOSSED
OUT JUST
TO BECOME
TITAN
FOOD?

YOU'RE
GOING TO
SAY THAT
YOU HAD NO
IDEA HOW
MANY OF MY
COMRADES...

ARE
YOU
STILL
GOING
TO PLAY
DUMB?



AND
YET, WE
DIDN'T
LEARN THIS
VITAL
INFORMA-
TION UNTIL
NOW...

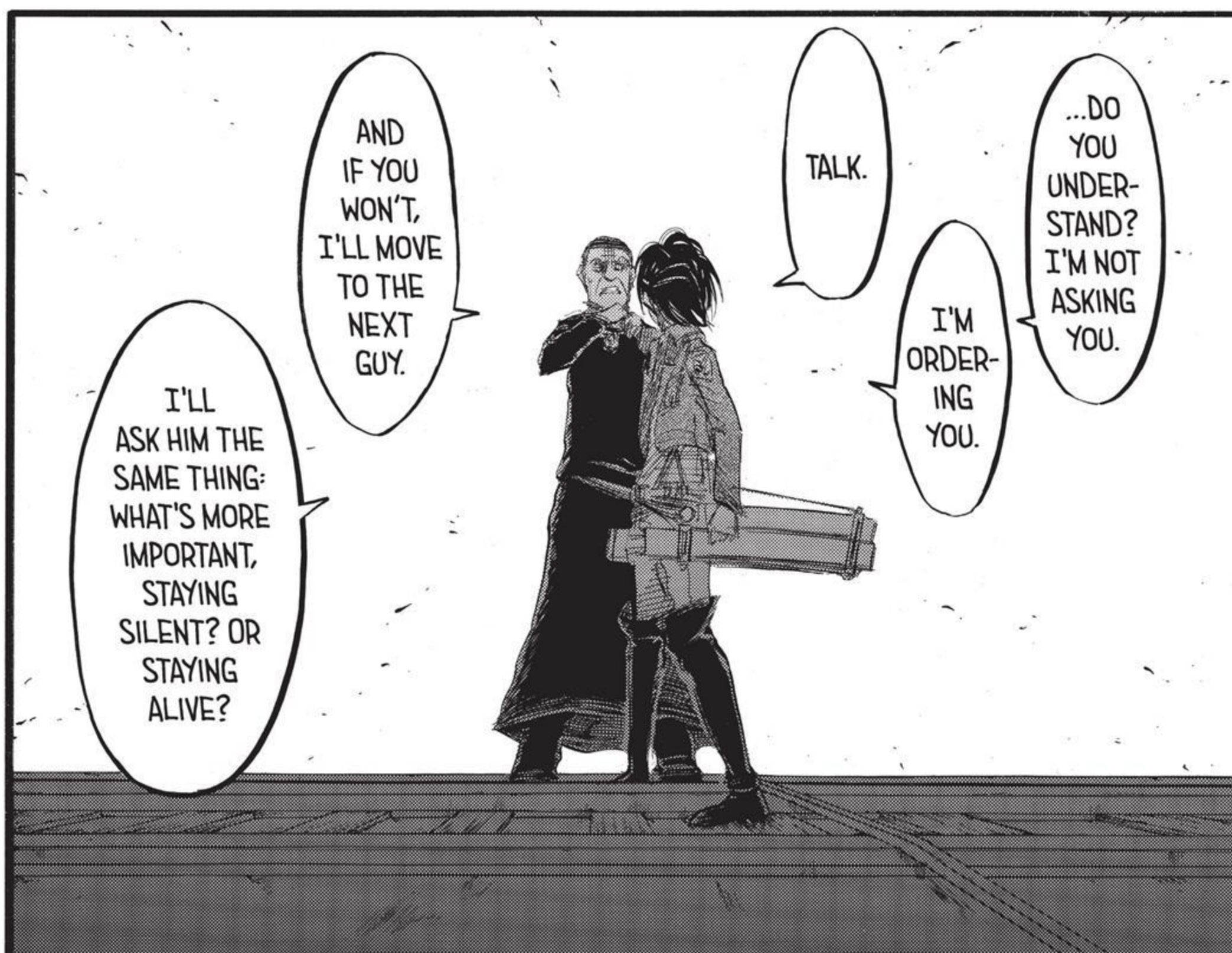


**COULD
AFFORD**
TO STAY
QUIET.



YOU
PEOPLE
...

THE
TRUTH IS
THAT YOU
WERE
KEEPING
QUIET...



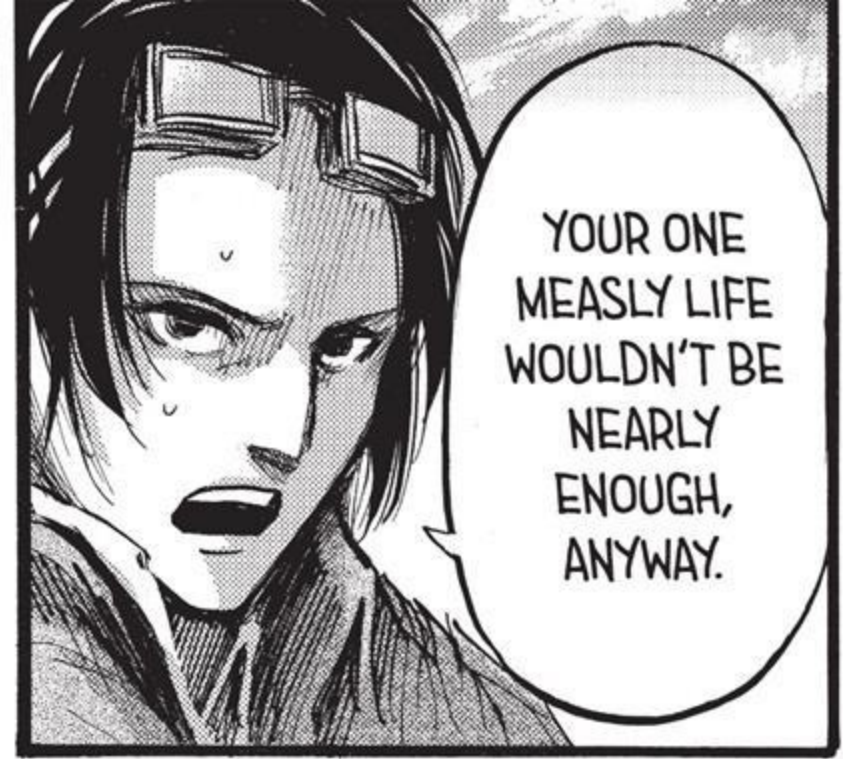
I'LL
ASK HIM THE
SAME THING:
WHAT'S MORE
IMPORTANT,
STAYING
SILENT? OR
STAYING
ALIVE?

AND
IF YOU
WON'T,
I'LL MOVE
TO THE
NEXT
GUY.

TALK.

I'M
ORDER-
ING
YOU.

...DO
YOU
UNDER-
STAND?
I'M NOT
ASKING
YOU.





NGH...

NGH...



QUIVER



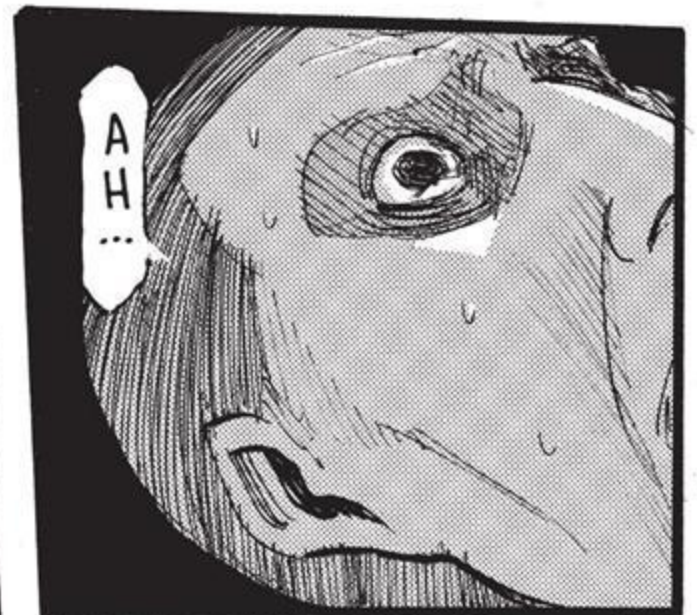
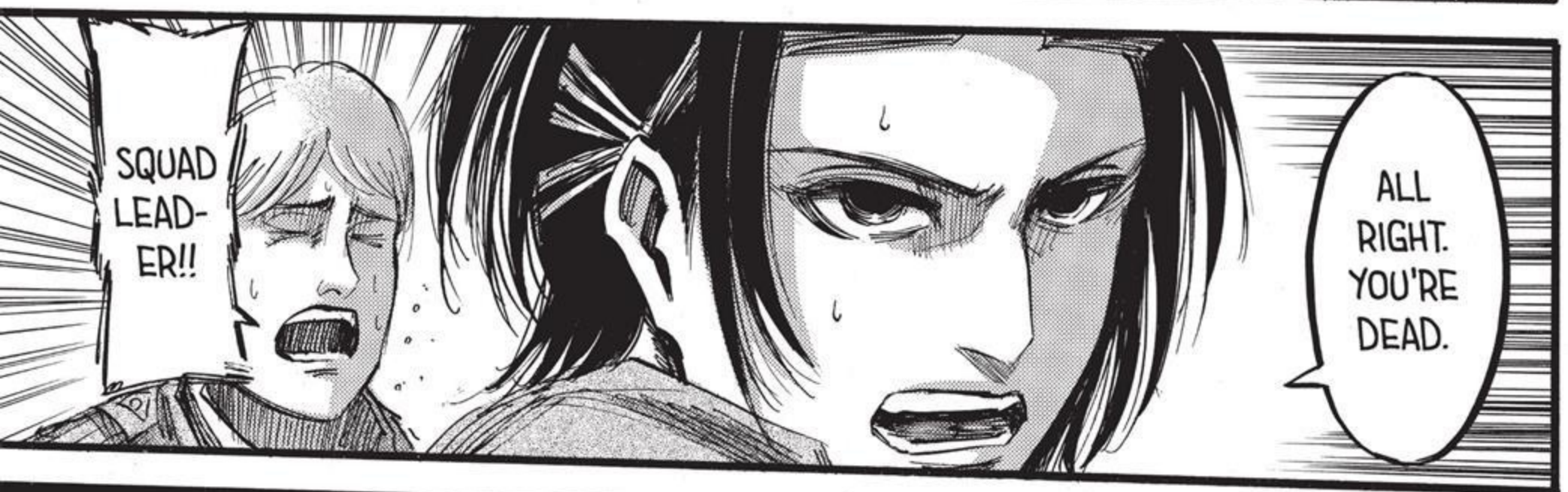
I WILL
PROVE
THAT TO
YOU!!

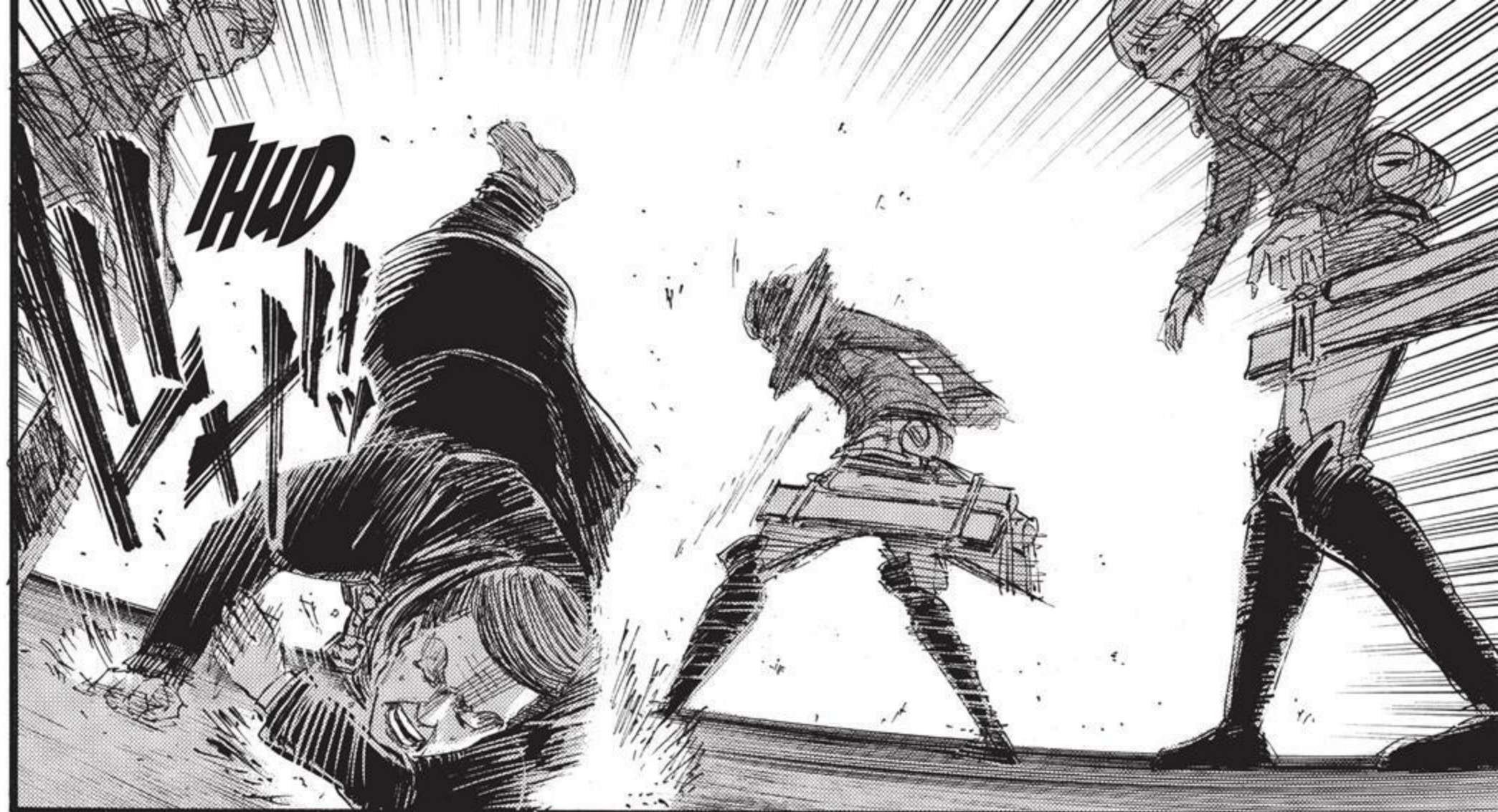
I DO NOT
CLING TO
MY OWN
LIFE AS IF
IT IS
SOME-
THING
PRECIOUS!

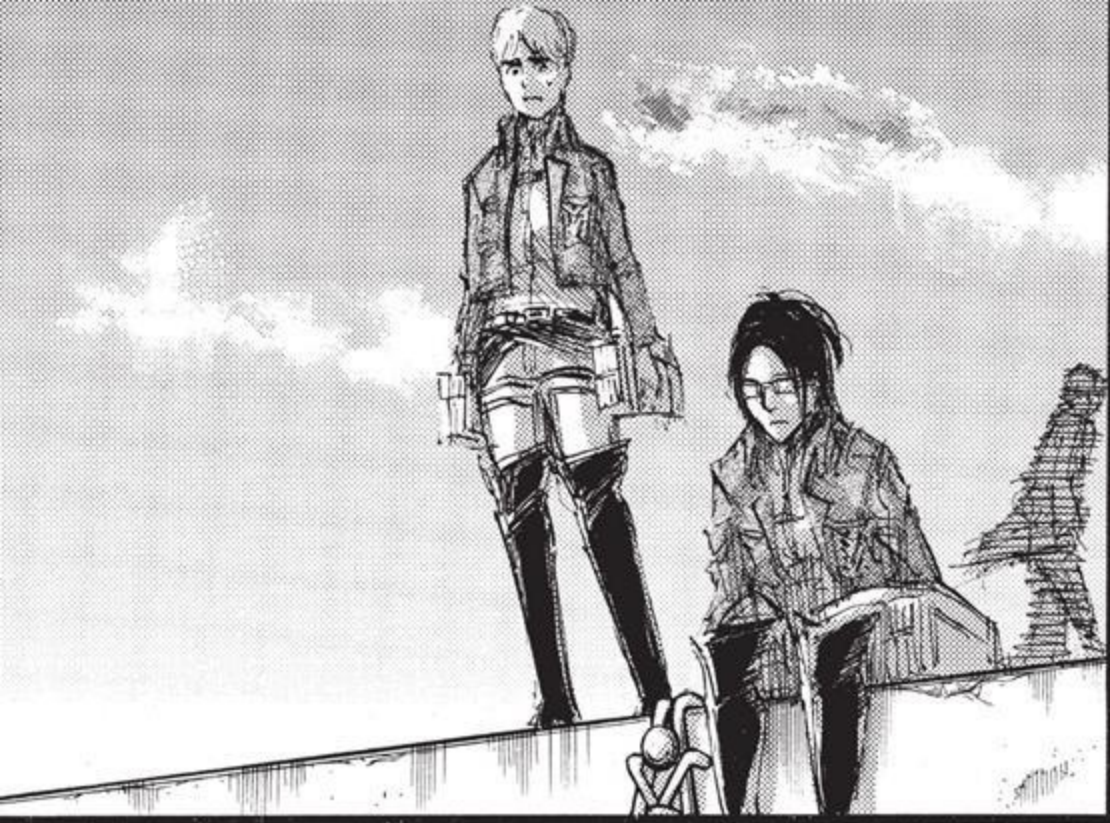


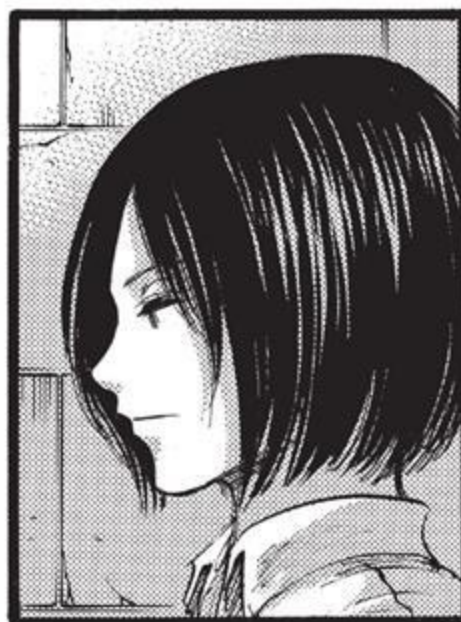
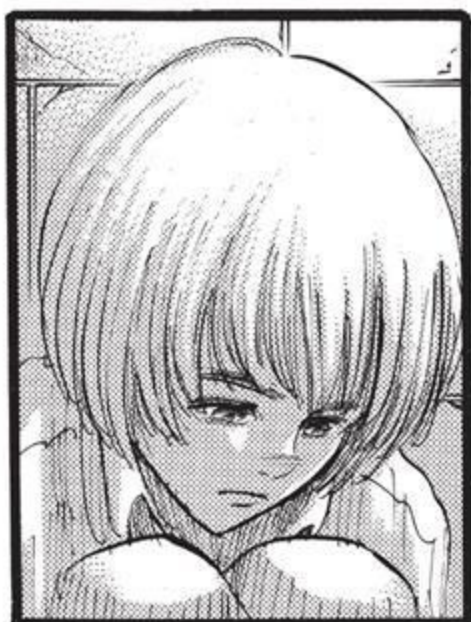
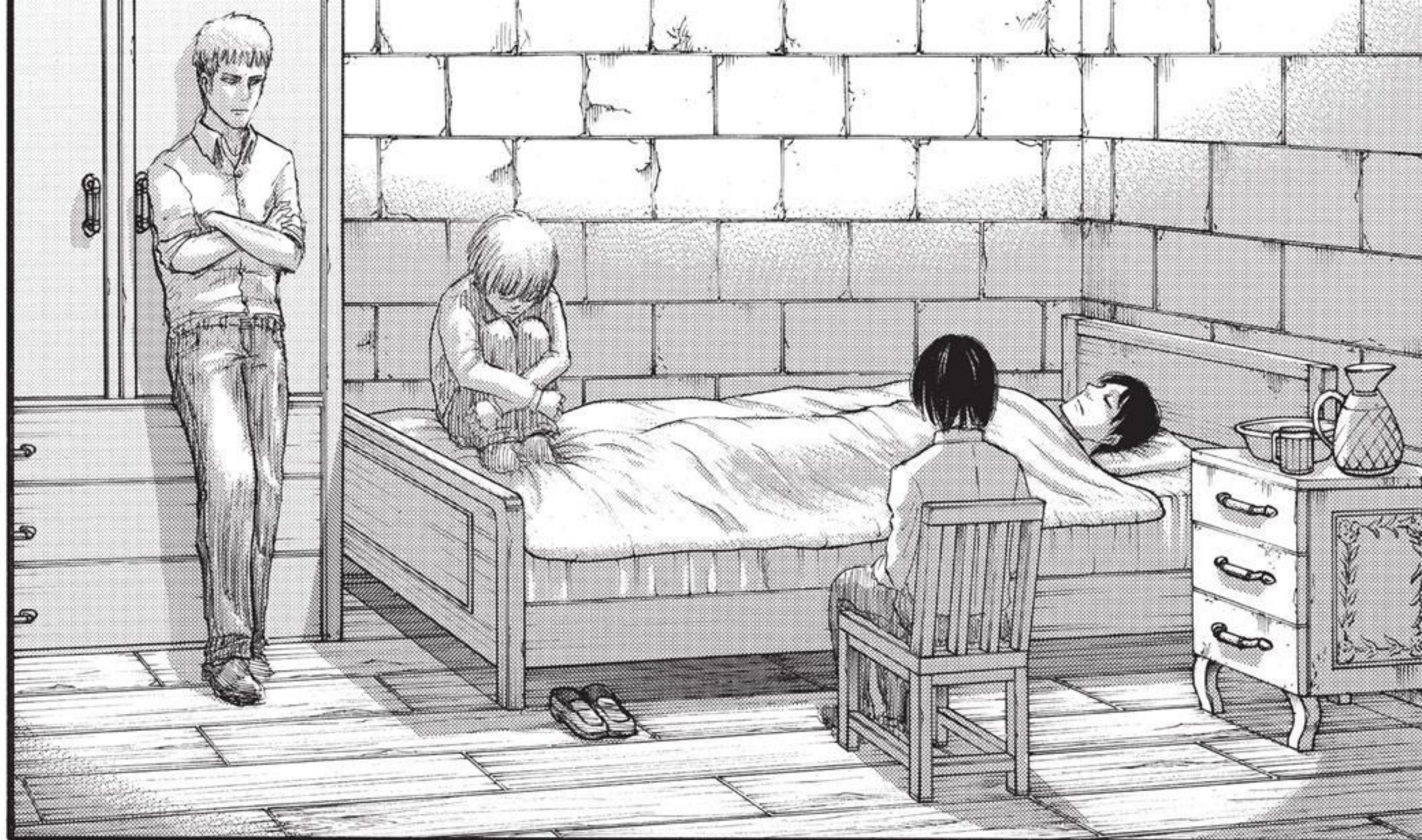
BUT... WE
DID NOT
STAY
SILENT
OUT OF
MALICE!

YOU...
HAVE
EVERY
RIGHT
TO BE
ANGRY.



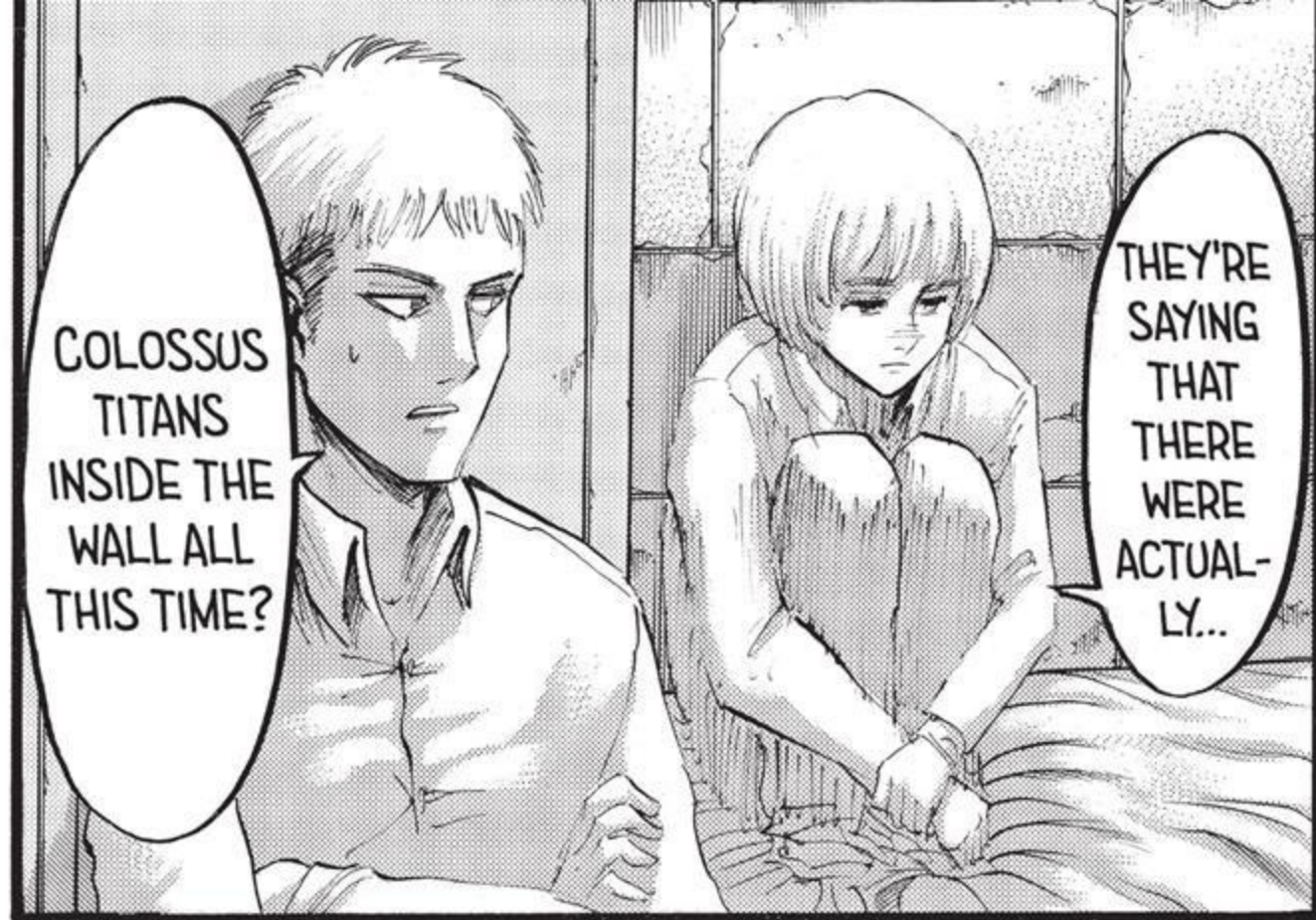








...
YEAH.



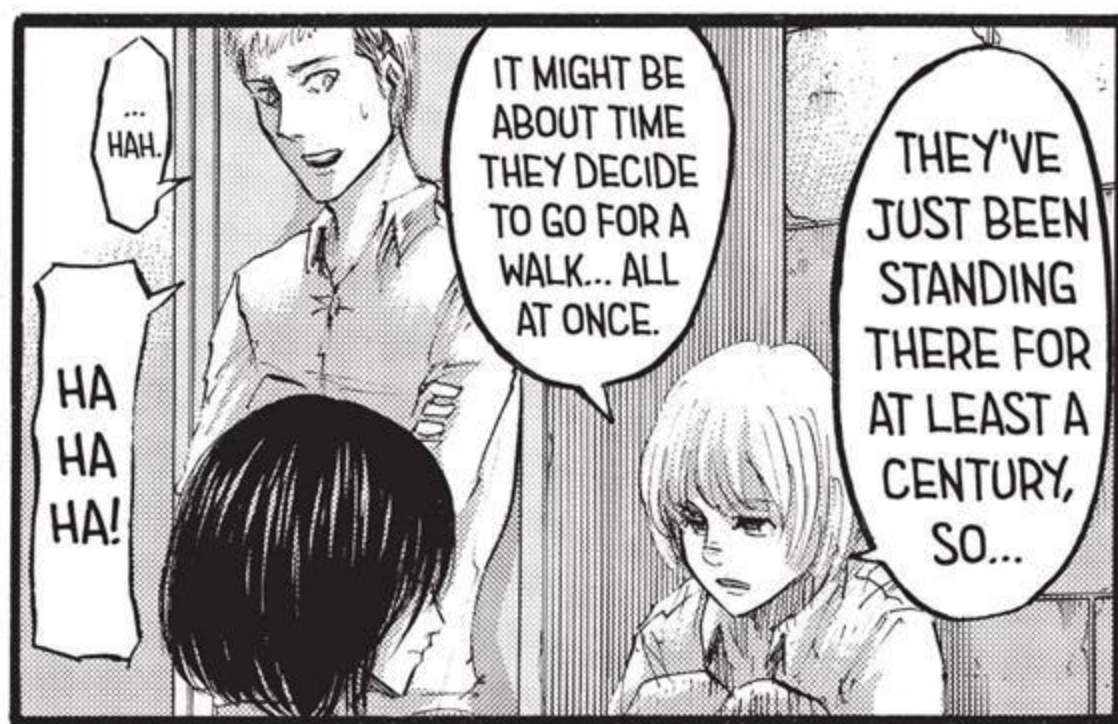
COLOSSUS
TITANS
INSIDE THE
WALL ALL
THIS TIME?

THEY'RE
SAYING
THAT
THERE
WERE
ACTUAL-
LY...



MAN,
YOU'RE
LAME!
THAT
WAS
GREAT!

WAS
THAT A
JOKE
RIGHT
THERE,
ARMIN?



...
HAH.

HA
HA
HA!

IT MIGHT BE
ABOUT TIME
THEY DECIDE
TO GO FOR A
WALK... ALL
AT ONCE.

THEY'VE
JUST BEEN
STANDING
THERE FOR
AT LEAST A
CENTURY,
SO...



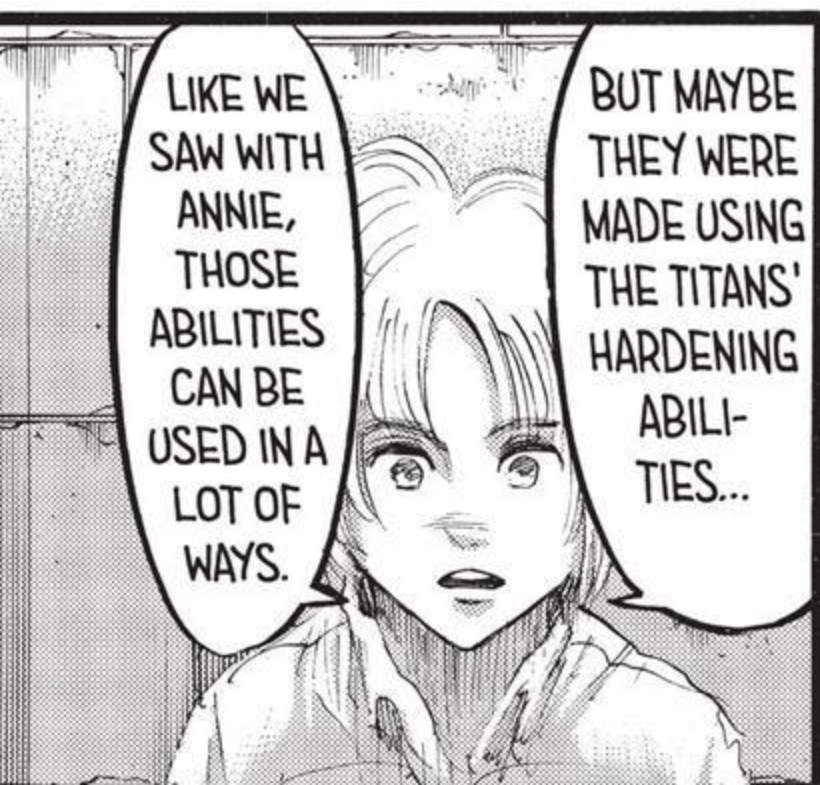
S...
SORRY
...

ALL
RIGHT
!



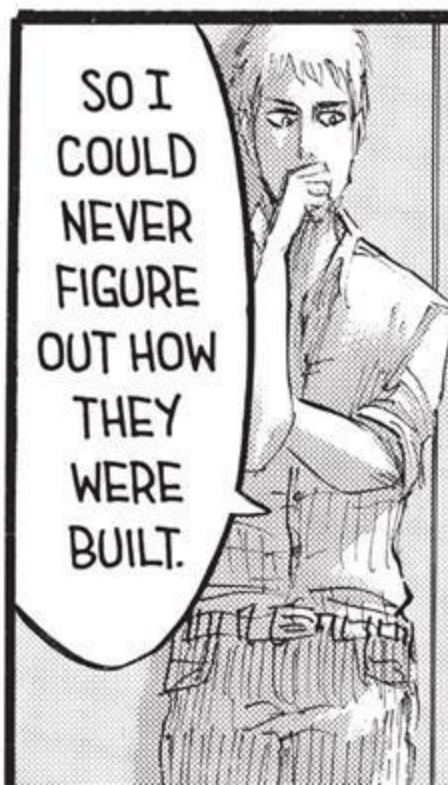
Q-
U-
I-
E-
T.

J
E
A
N.



LIKE WE
SAW WITH
ANNIE,
THOSE
ABILITIES
CAN BE
USED IN A
LOT OF
WAYS.

BUT MAYBE
THEY WERE
MADE USING
THE TITANS'
HARDENING
ABILI-
TIES...

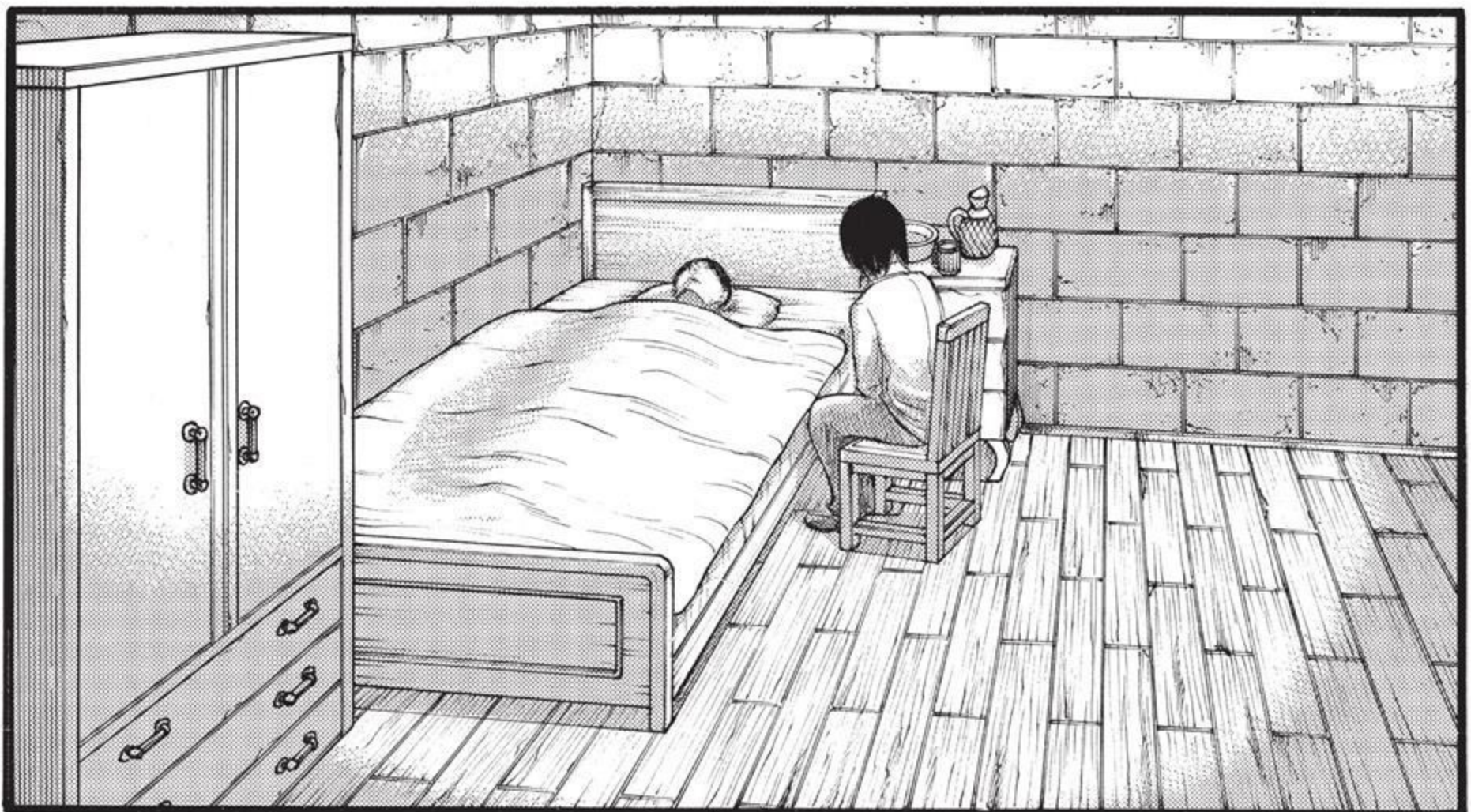
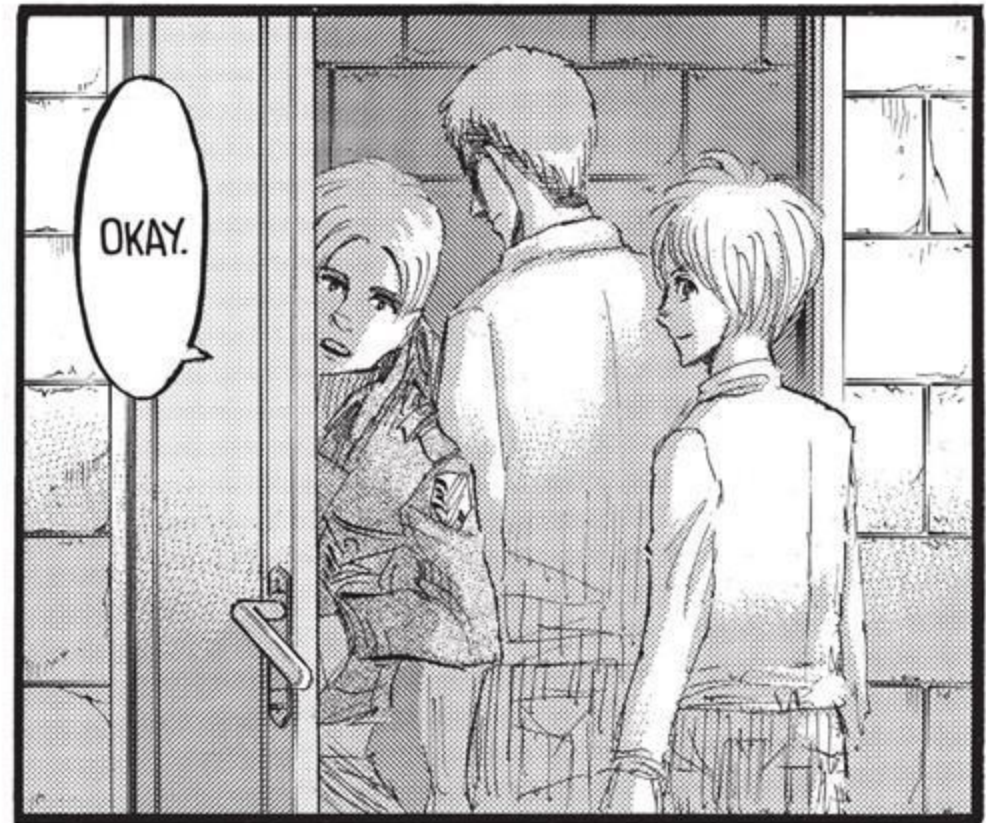
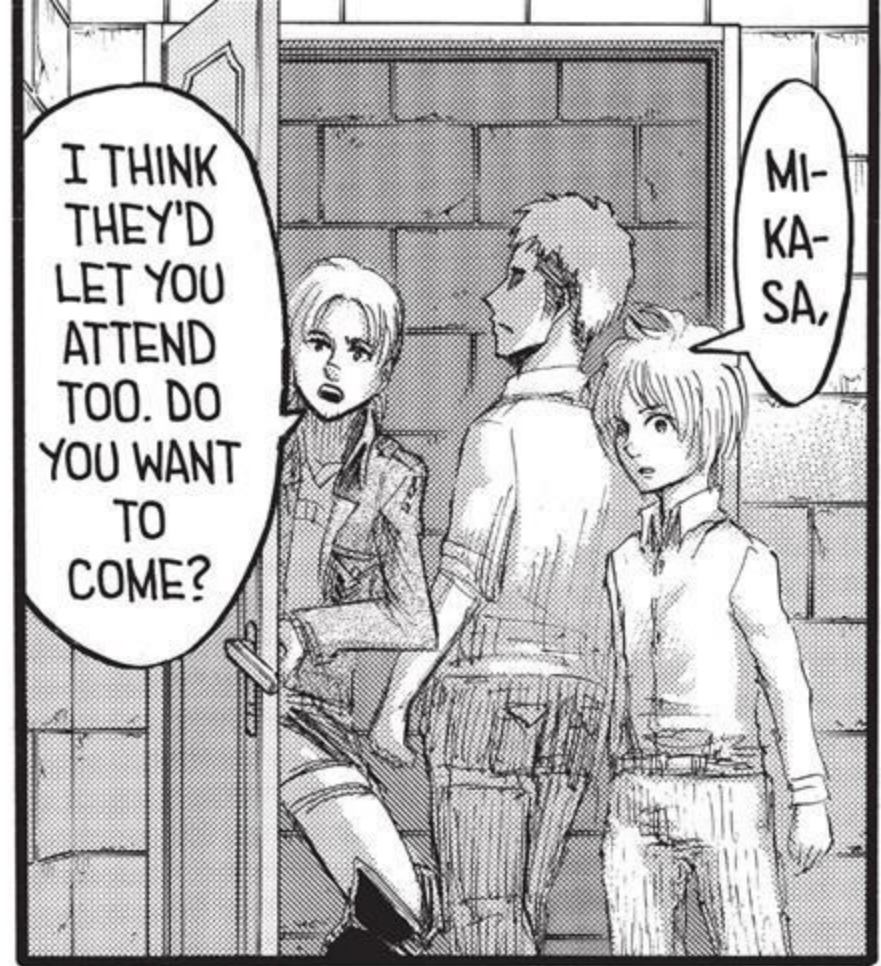


SO I
COULD
NEVER
FIGURE
OUT HOW
THEY
WERE
BUILT.



THE WALLS
DON'T HAVE
ANY JOINTS
BETWEEN THE
STONES OR
SIGNS OF ANY
KIND OF
PEELING,





THOUGH
THE
SUMMONS
OF THE
SURVEY
CORPS
LEADERS
WAS PUT
ON HOLD...



THE DAY
OF THE
INCIDENT, AN
ASSEMBLY
WAS HELD AT
THE STOHES
MILITARY
POLICE
BRANCH TO
RECAP THE
DAY'S
EVENTS.

WE HAVE A
NUMBER OF
CONCERNS
REGARDING
THIS
MISSION.

ERWIN.



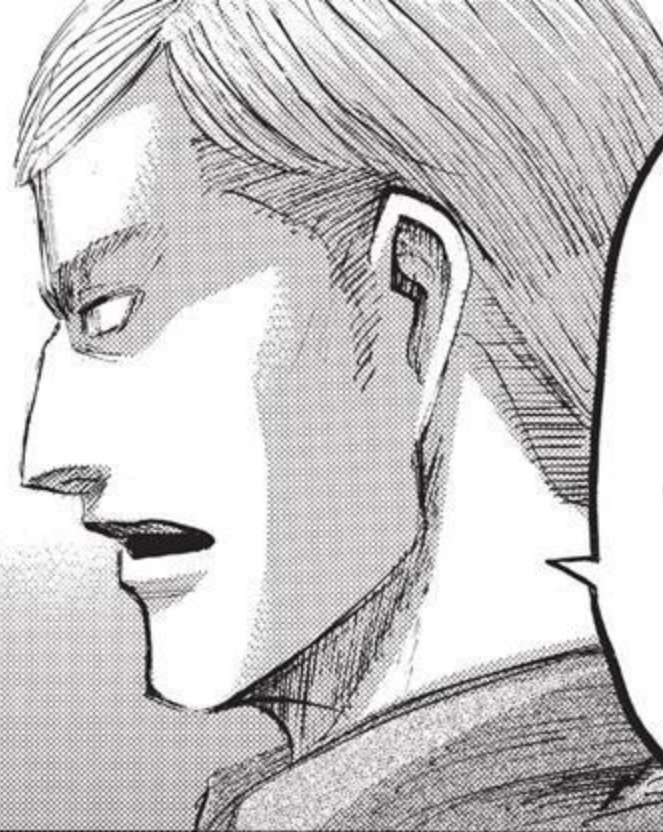
WHY
DIDN'T YOU
ASK FOR THE
MILITARY
POLICE
BRIGADE'S
ASSIS-
TANCE?

IF
YOU HAD
ALREADY
MARKED
YOUR
TARGET
...



THEIR
DECISION TO
EXECUTE
THEIR
MISSION
UNILATER-
ALLY WAS
QUESTIONED.





...IT HAD
TO BE
CARRIED OUT
BY ONLY
THOSE WHOSE
INNOCENCE
COULD BE
PROVED.

THIS
MISSION WAS
OF UTMOST
IMPORTANCE,
AND IN ORDER
TO EXECUTE
IT...

DISTRICT
MAYOR... IT WAS
BECAUSE WE
DIDN'T KNOW
WHERE THE
FEMALE TITAN'S
COMRADES
COULD BE
HIDING.



HOWEVER...
WHAT DO YOU HAVE
TO SAY ABOUT THE
DAMAGE DONE TO
THE DISTRICT AS A
RESULT OF YOUR
ACTIONS?

I COMMEND YOU
FOR IDENTIFYING
THE "FEMALE
TITAN" WHO HID
INSIDE OUR
WALLS... ANNIE
LEONHART.

OUR OWN
DEFICIENCIES
CAUSED THIS
TO HAPPEN. I
DEEPLY AND
SINCERELY
APOLOGIZE.

IN THE END,
PROPERTY
WAS LOST, AS
WELL AS
PRECIOUS
CIVILIAN
LIVES.



WHILE
WE EN-
DEAVORED
TO AVOID
CAUSING
ANY
DAMAGE,

HAD WE ALLOWED THE TITAN
TO ESCAPE AND THE WALL
TO BE DESTROYED, THE
DAMAGE WOULD HAVE BEEN
FAR WORSE... AND WE ACTED
WHILE TAKING THIS FACT
INTO ACCOUNT.



HOW-
EVER
...



YOU'VE BEEN
ABLE TO GET
NOTHING OUT OF
ANNIE LEONHART,
IS THAT
CORRECT?

DO YOU
HAVE ANY PROOF
THAT YOU DID
INDEED PREVENT
HUMANITY'S
DEMISE?



AS HER
ENTIRE BODY
IS NOW
SURROUNDED
BY A HARD,
CRYSTALLINE
SUBSTANCE...

SHE IS
CURRENTLY
BEING
DETAINED
DEEP
UNDER-
GROUND.



...IT IS
IMPOS-
SIBLE TO
EXTRACT
ANY
INFORMA-
TION
FROM
HER.



I
KNOW
THERE
ARE
MORE.

YES
...

I BELIEVE
THAT THERE IS
VALUE IN SIMPLY
HAVING CAPTURED
ONE OF THE
TITANS.



YOUR
EFFORTS
WERE IN
VAIN?

IN
OTHER
WORDS
...



...HID-
ING...

EVERY
ENEMY...

WE
MUST
HUNT
DOWN
EVERY
LAST
ONE OF
THEM.



...INSIDE
OUR
WALLS.

IT'S
TERRIBLE
!

BAM

COM-
MANDER
ERWIN!!

THO-
MAS
?!

THIS
STORY-

WALL
ROSE
HAS-!



COULD
ONE OF
THOSE
KIDS...?

REALLY
?

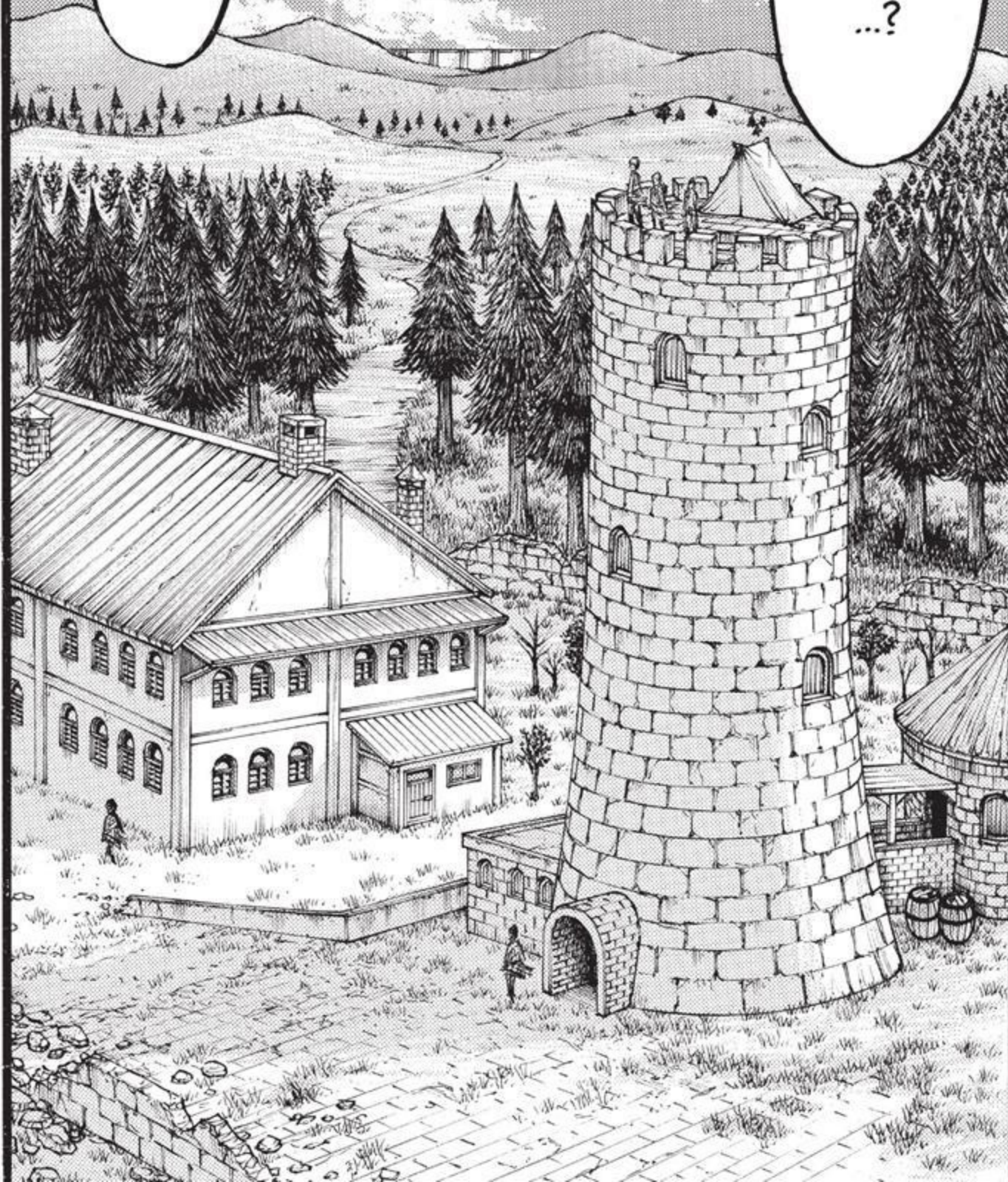
...BEGAN
TWELVE
HOURS
EARLIER.

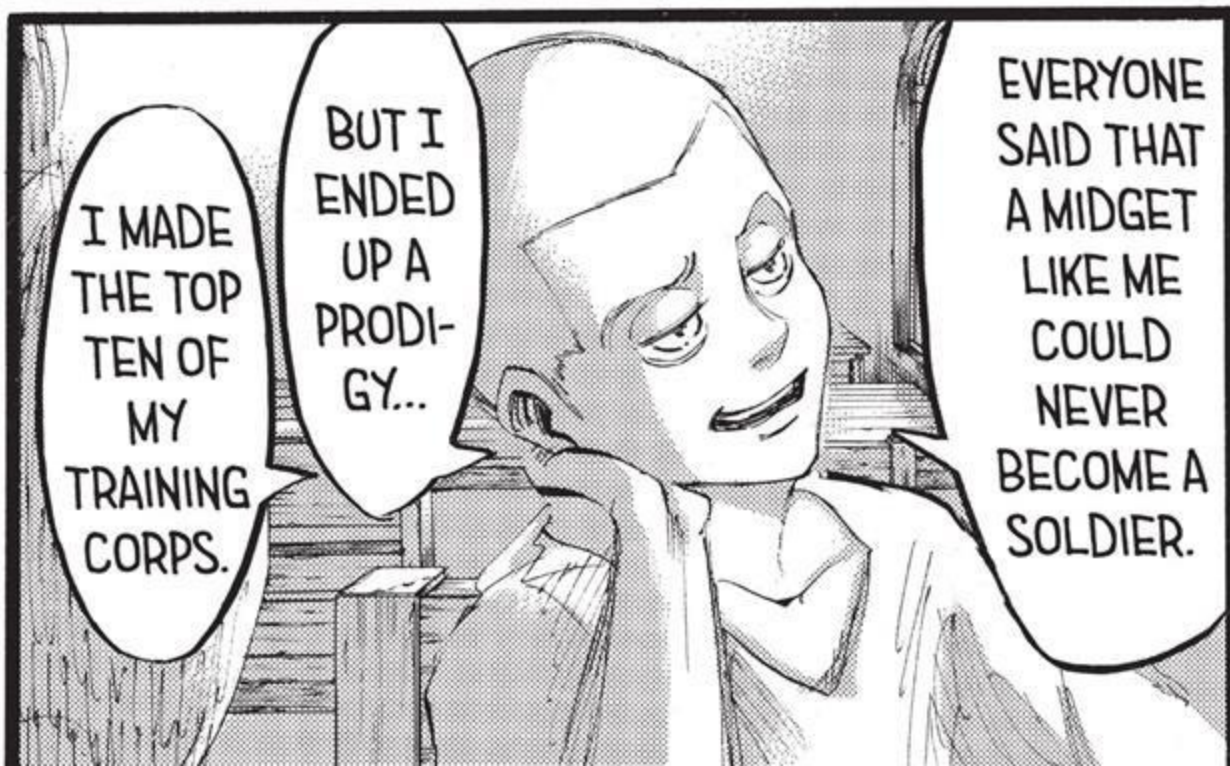
IT'S
NOT A
POSSIBIL-
ITY WE
CAN
IGNORE.

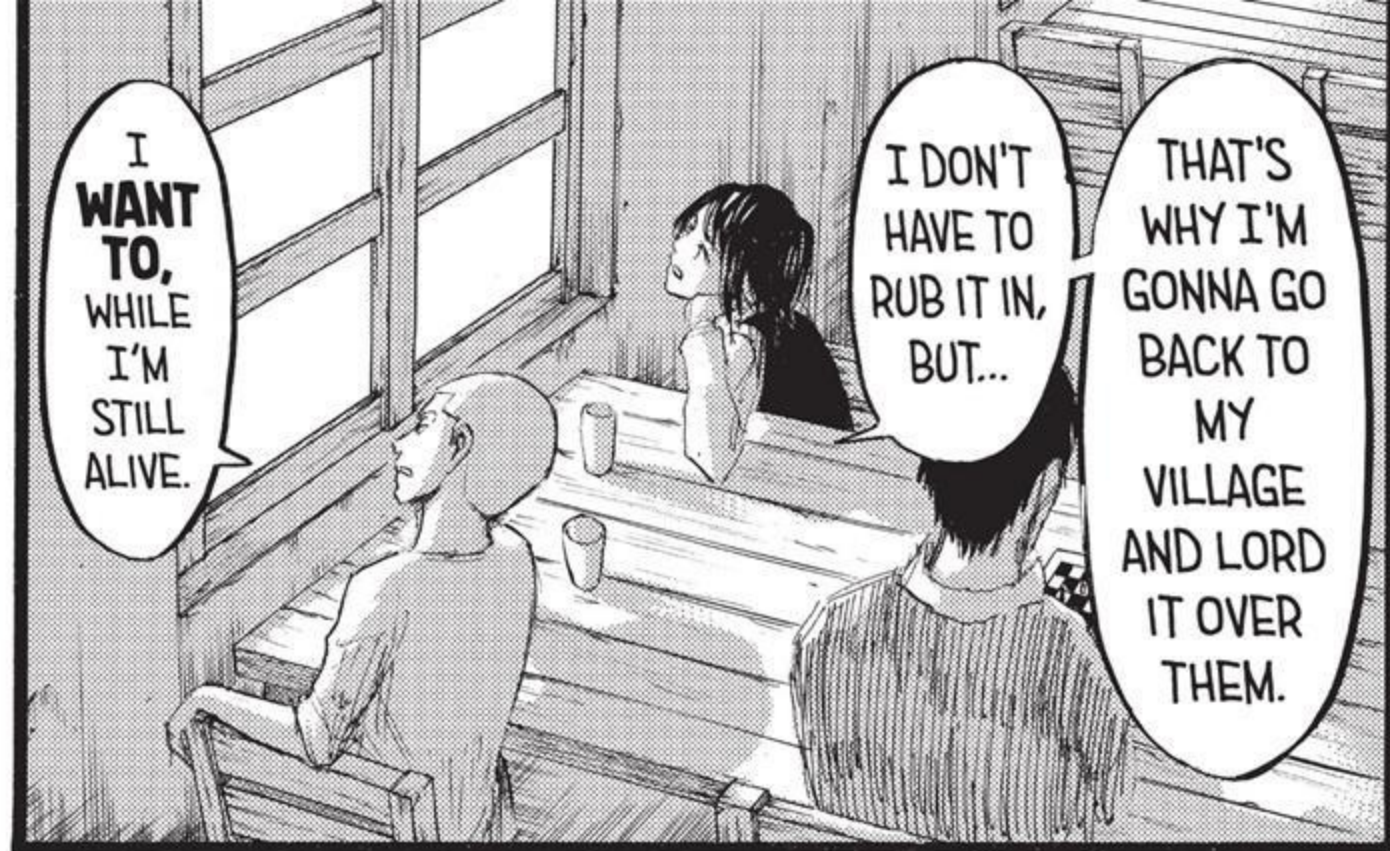
BUT
...

WELL...
WHO
KNOWS?

...HAVE
BEEN
CONSPIRING
WITH ANNIE
LEONHART
...?



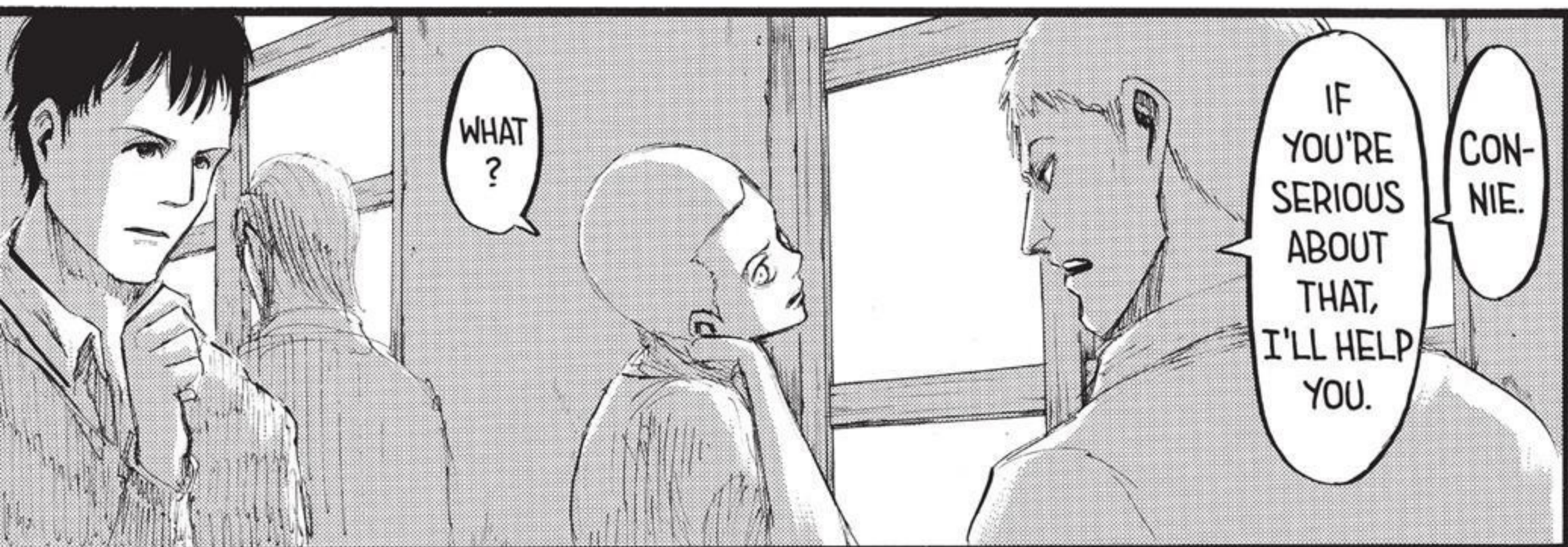




I WANT TO, WHILE I'M STILL ALIVE.

I DON'T HAVE TO RUB IT IN, BUT...

THAT'S WHY I'M GONNA GO BACK TO MY VILLAGE AND LORD IT OVER THEM.



WHAT ?

IF YOU'RE SERIOUS ABOUT THAT, I'LL HELP YOU.

CON-NIE.



DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS STRANGE ?

...



WHY ?



WHY? WE'RE SOLDIERS!

OUR ORDERS SAID NOT TO WEAR OUR COMBAT UNIFORMS, AND NOT TO TRAIN.

WHY ARE WE ON STANDBY DRESSED LIKE CIVILIANS?



WHAT
ARE
THEY
GOING
TO BE
FIGHT-
ING?

WE'RE
NOT ON THE
FRONT LINES,
YOU KNOW.
WE'RE INSIDE
THE
WALLS!

WHAT MAKES
ME EVEN MORE
SUSPICIOUS IS
THE FACT THAT
OUR OFFICERS
ARE FULLY
EQUIPPED.

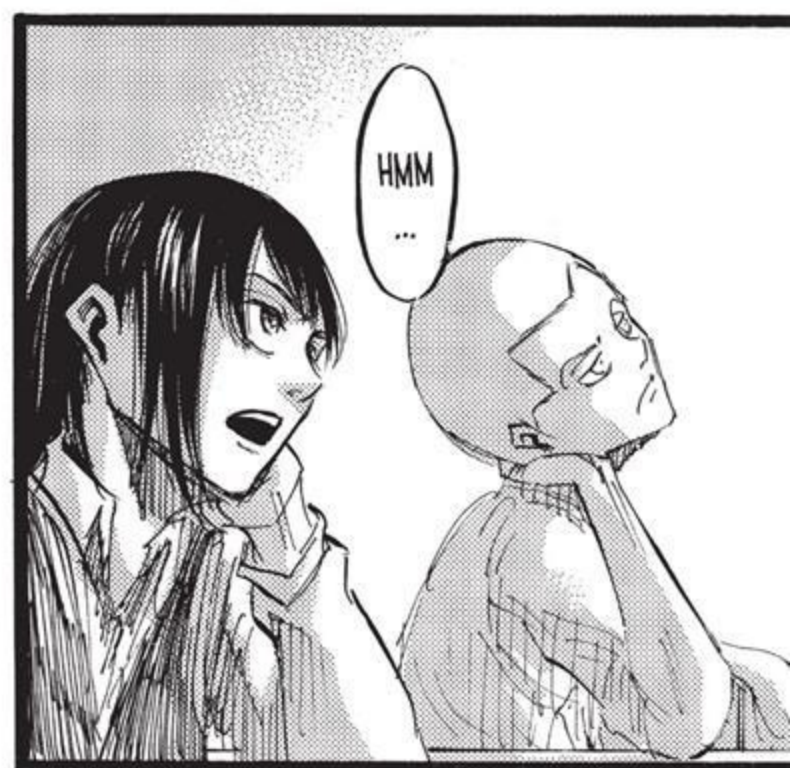


THEY'D
JUST HAVE
GUNS IF
THEY WERE
WORRIED
ABOUT
BEARS...

BEARS.
SURE.

HEH.

THERE MUST
BE BEARS
AROUND
HERE.



HMM
...



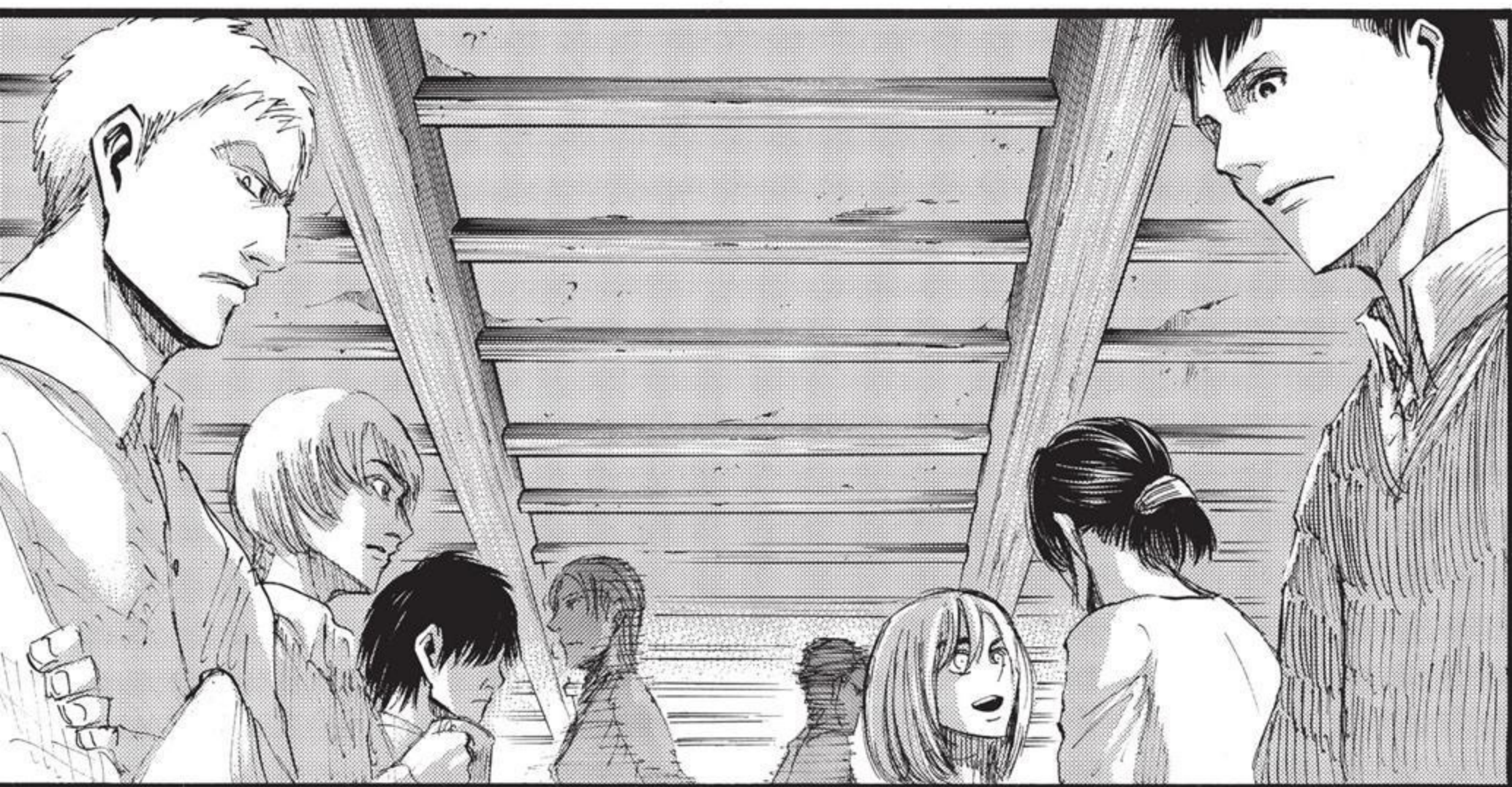
PERSONALLY,
I FEEL LIKE
SNEAKING OUT
AND SEEING
HOW OUR
OFFICERS
REACT.

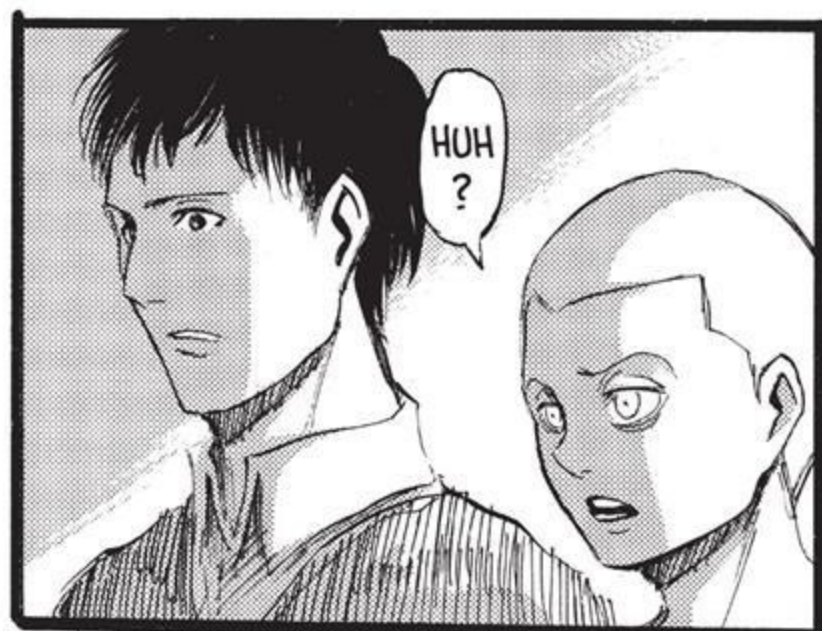
...



YOU TWO ARE
THE ONLY
ONES HERE
WHO ARE
RELAXED AND
CAREFREE.

EVERYONE'S
CONFUSED.
THEY DON'T
KNOW WHAT'S
GOING ON.







**YOU
REALIZE
THAT WOULD
MEAN...
THEY'VE
BROKEN
THROUGH
WALL
ROSE?**

**IF
YOU'RE
TRYING TO
SAY THAT
THERE ARE
TITANS
HERE...?**

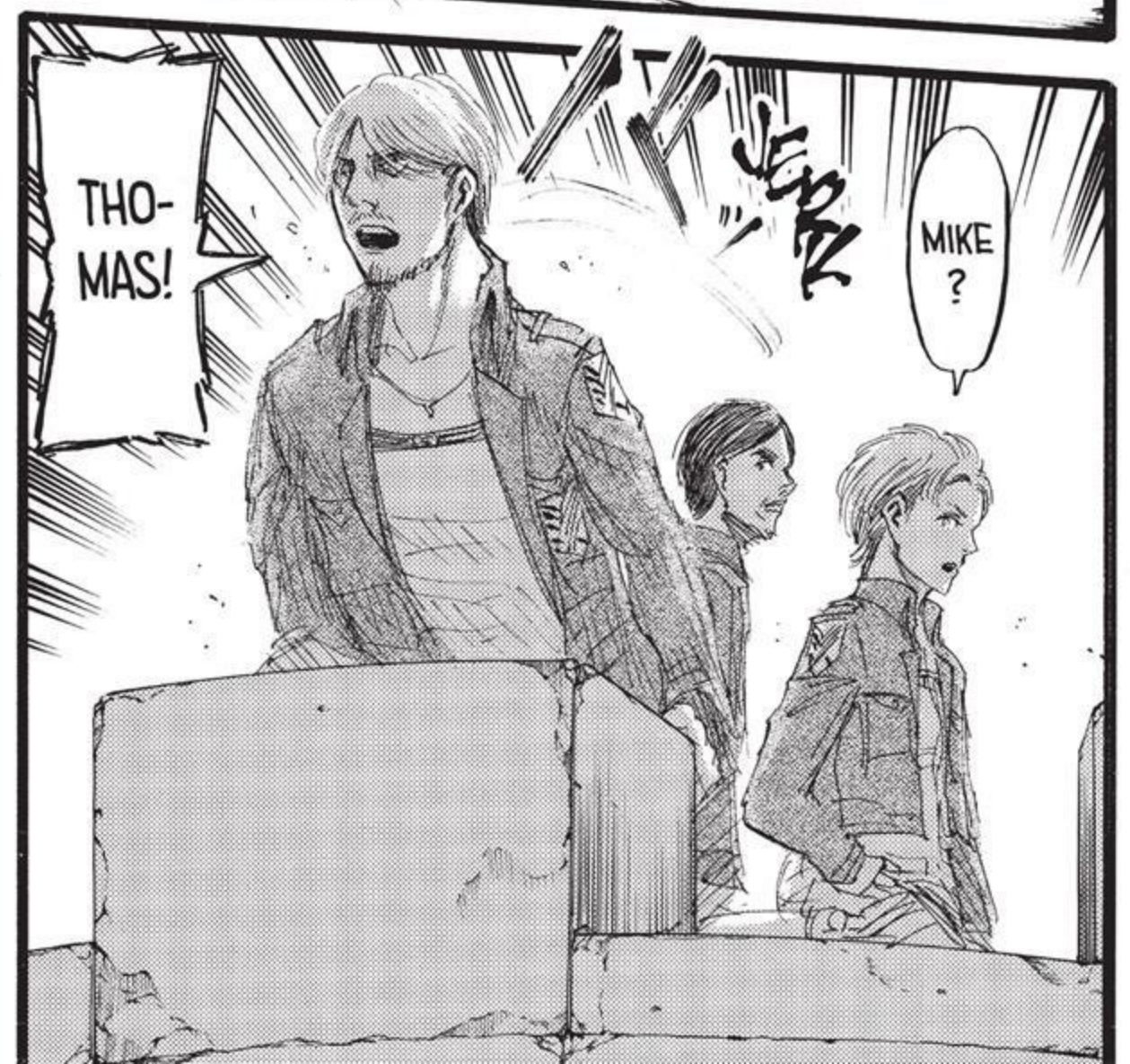


SNIFF



**GET ON A
SWIFT
HORSE
AND
DELIVER A
REPORT!**

**SIR
?!**



**THO-
MAS!**

**MIKE
?**

**WALL
ROSE...
HAS BEEN
BREACHED
!!**

**IT SEEMS
THAT
THERE ARE
NO TITANS
AMONG THE
104TH
SURVEY
CORPS...**

**AND A
HORDE OF
TITANS...IS
ATTACKING
FROM THE
SOUTH!!**

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THUD

**AN
UNFORESEEN
ELBOW!**

**VIOLENCE SUDDENLY RAINS DOWN ON
REINER, FOR NO REAL REASON-!!**

* Not a real preview.

VOLUME 9 COMING NOVEMBER 2013!

[Really!]